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TO: Environment and Natural Resources Committee

RE: **LD 646: Resolve, Establishing the Commission to Study Unregulated Storm Water Pollution**

I am writing in support of LD646. My family and I are third generation property owners on Pocasset Lake and summer residents. The rest of the year we reside in Nashua, NH.

We must act now to protect our precious water bodies from the devastating effects of runoff and storm water pollution. I am an active member of 30 Mile Watershed Association and the Maine Lakes Lake Smart program. My husband and I work hard every year to prevent storm water runoff from our property on Pocasset Lake. I also volunteer my time to monitor and protect the health of our lake.

I'm asking you to support LD646 so appropriate protection can be enforced by the state and others will understand the importance of runoff prevention measures from town roads and lakefront properties. The time is here today before we lose the quality of our watersheds forever.

When voting on LD 646, I ask that you think about the economic impact it will have on the state of Maine if property owners, vacationers, and residents move elsewhere because their beloved lake, pond, or river can no longer be protected and enjoyed for generations to come. In the end, the department of Environment and Natural Resources and the State of Maine will suffer. Please invest the funds now to ensure the state's economic well-being for the future. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted by,
Sue Heard