Bevin Holmberg Falmouth LD 511

Hello,

I live in Falmouth, and I urge the Transportation Committee to vote in support of LD 511. An interim trail from Portland to Auburn would improve public health, protect the environment, connect to public transit, and provide options for people who don't drive, or simply want to drive less. It would also provide a safer place for my children to ride bikes.

I have lived in Maine for almost 15 years, and the one thing I miss about the state I lived prior was the access to safe public paved trails. I could ride from town to town without ever using the road. This encouraged me to visit new places and support more local businesses without the use of a car. I also felt safe from being a distraction for drivers. I still ride my bike in Maine, but there are times on the road when I don't feel safe with distracted drivers whizzing by me.

Please, please vote "ought to pass." Thank you. Bevin Holmberg