Clare Potter Brooksville LD 746

I'm writing to express my support for LD746, which would implement an optional local sales tax of 2% on short-term lodging.

Given the impacts of the Trump Administration's slashing of federal programs that are vital to Maine communities and economies, we need to be resourceful in order to offset these impairments. LD746 addresses this need.

Until we have the political power to reverse and correct the actions that the current federal government is taking, we will need to continuously develop with other ways of funding necessary services.

While I regret that this tax falls heavily upon our summer visitors and other tourists, they will likely understand that this tax, if imposed, is a direct result of Trump's destruction of critical federal programs in the state of Maine.

Thank you for your consideration.