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LD 735

Dear Senator Tepler, Representative Doudera, and ENR Committee Members,

My name is Corey Lane and I am a resident of Porter, Maine. I write to you in support of LD 735 "An Act to Protect Sand Dunes on Sears Island and to Establish Criteria for Legislation Regarding Land Development"

The EPA has recognized the important role of sand dunes by enacting regulations that protect sand dunes for the benefit of the community and the environment. Taking all reasonable steps to ensure the conservation and protection of the northwest portion of Sears Island will provide many advantages including storm protection and critical habitat for many species.

If there is a conflict with proposed legislation regarding development and EPA regulations, requiring a member of the House of Representatives or Senate that represents that district to sponsor that bill, along with requiring a 2/3 vote will prevent many issues in the future.

Finally, establishing an indigenous lands protection committee and obtaining certification that the proposed site is not sacred prior to the State authorizing any development on Sears Island is long overdue.

Please correct past actions regarding what has occurred on Sears Island and vote yes on LD 735.

Sincerely,
Corey Lane
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