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My name is Sarae Pacetta and I'm a Pre-K teacher in Portland. I support LD 1089 because every child has a right to a high quality education. If we have an American Dream, it falls on education to level playing fields for children, no matter their background. Taxing an additional 4% on people who aren't worrying about how to pay for their basic needs is one way to fund our prek-12 educational needs in Maine. High quality education is an incredibly expensive endeavor, with reason. Highly trained teachers, good facilities, and materials and experiences are critical if we want children to achieve. Our wealthiest Mainers will not move away because of this tax. Massachusetts implemented a similar bill, as did NJ and CA. What they gained was funding for their state's needs. We can do the same!