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LD 1073

Greetings Senator Tepler, Representative Doudera, and ENR Committee Members,
My name is Michael Reddy. I own land in Dresden, ME and I am testifying in support of LD 1073 "An Act to Amend Provisions of the Maine Metallic Mining Mineral Act to Advance Health Equity and Improve the Well Being of Vulnerable Populations". The existing regulations contained in the Metallic Mineral Mining Act fail to protect human health. While explicitly allowing groundwater contamination within the mining area, they do not contain any explicit prohibitions to activities negatively impacting human health, nor any explicit protections for human health. LD 1073 addresses this shortcoming and should be supported by the ENR Committee.
Thanks for your time and consideration,