Heather Raisanen Home Builders and Remodelers Association of Maine LD 1226

I am writing to you on behalf of the Home Builders and Remodelers Association of Maine to express our strong support for LD 1226, an act aimed at protecting consumers by licensing home-building contractors within our state.

As you are aware, the home building and remodeling industry is vital to Maine's economy and the well-being of our communities. However, the lack of a licensing framework has led to inconsistencies in quality and reliability among contractors, leaving consumers vulnerable to subpar work and financial losses. LD 1226 addresses this critical issue by establishing a licensing system that will ensure all home building contractors meet essential standards of professionalism and competency.

Please consider supporting Tiffany Roberts as she introduces this back into the session.

- 1. Consumer Protection: Licensing will help protect consumers from unqualified contractors and ensure they receive high-quality services.
- 2. Industry Standards: A licensing system will promote best practices within the industry, leading to improved construction quality and safety.
- 3. Economic Growth: A well-regulated home-building sector can stimulate job creation, support local businesses, and enhance property values across Maine.

We believe that LD 1226 represents a significant step forward in safeguarding the interests of Maine residents and fostering a thriving home-building environment. We urge you to consider the long-term benefits of this legislation and support its passage.

We would be grateful for the opportunity to discuss this matter further and provide any additional information you may need. Thank you for your attention to this important issue, and we look forward to your support of LD 1226.