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LD 1423

Dear Legislators,

I write in opposition to LD1423.

I am retired and a volunteer member of the town of Blue Hill's Climate Resilience Committee and a board member of the Blue Hill Heritage Trust, I worked in 2021 to encourage the selectboards of the towns on the Blue Hill Peninsula to support the Extended Producer Responsibility for Packaging law. We succeeded in getting middle and high school kids in at least 6 of our 9 towns to make presentations to their selectboards resulting in letters of support being sent to the Maine Legislature in favor of this innovative initiative. The students were very proud of Maine being the first state in the country to pass this policy. Now, even before it has a chance of being implemented and tested, LD1423 proposes to dramatically dilute, rollback and delay implementation. Even public involvement and oversight would be drastically reduced and corporations would be able to shift much of the costs to our local municipalities and small businesses. Please vote against this deceptively named bill. Thank you.

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