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LD 500

To the Health and Human Services Committee Members, I am writing to ask you to vote Ought to Pass on LD 500 and indeed, LD 493 and LD 1326 as well. I am a rural Mainer with my own well, that was dug after 3 years of building our own home in Swanville 40 years ago, when we got the money together! We hauled water for those 3 years and felt so grateful when our well was dug. Now as both a rural Mainer with clear evidence of PFAs in the soil in our area, and as a FNP very concerned with the health of our entire community, I have been really concerned that the state begin regulating/researching and helping all Maine people be aware of this problem. As we all are aware, cancer rates have increased every decade--and environmental toxins are likely a large part of that scenario. The issue of PFAs is not a small one, but is really central to the health of our people. At this time, it truly is up to the states themselves to protect our communities. I cannot stress how important this is. Thank you for all the work you do, I am sure it is daunting these days , and please vote Ought to Pass on LD 500, for all our health! Sincerely, Meredith Bruskin, FNP