John Holdridge Cape Elizabeth LD 1624

Dear Members of the Education and Cultural Affairs Committee,

As a career educator who has worked in and around K-12 schools for 25 years, I can say with certainty that the need for summertime standards based credit recovery and interventions to strengthen skills and reduce learning loss is real.

Without these summer opportunities, students who are in need of extra academic support will fall farther behind in their learning and path to graduation from high school, a situation that is bad for individuals, families, and communities.

I urge the committee to unanimously recommend that LD 1624, An Act to Provide Funding for Summer School Programming "Ought to Pass."

Sincerely,

John Holdridge