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I am a summer resident of Mount Vernon, Maine. My wife's family and now my wife and I have owned a camp on Flying Pond for almost 60 years. I strongly support the proposed bill to regulate non-water dependent floating structures. Since we have been coming to Maine, we have seen many threats to the State's waterways and land. Unregulated houseboats, etc. is a new threat that not only can harm the enjoyment of landowners, but seriously threaten the shoreline and inland waters of Maine through erosion, pollution and other causes. While some towns have enacted ordinances to regulate them, a uniform, statewide law is a much more practical solution. I urge the Committee to support passage of the proposed bill.