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I am writing to urge the Committee to oppose LD 297. We should not reopen loophole which were previously closed to protect Maine's landfills. We should not exempt construction waste, as Casella would like. Out of state construction debris is just that- out of state!

Also, considering LD 297 before the investigation into JRL's management is complete (the investigation passed by a vote of 10-1!) is like putting the cart before the horse. Information first- not after the fact!

Casella makes money by landfilling, so of course they want to landfill as much as possible. LD 297 would undermine the State's legal duty to enforce the State's Solid Waste Management Hierarchy and goals. We need strong solid waste rules and strict enforcement, not erosion of hard won progress!