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LD 1604

Distinguished members of the Maine Legislature's Environment and Natural Resources Committee. My name is Adrienne Lee, of Knox ME and I am testifying in support of LD1640. I am writing as a concerned citizen as well as someone who has first hand experience with the consequences of our State's mismanagement of PFA's in our waste stream. After drinking water from a contaminated well on our property for over ten years, the levels of PFAS in my family members blood are at levels well beyond what the CDC and NIH deem as safe. Getting clean drinking water has been an imperative for my family and similarly cleaning up and/or minimizing additional contamination of our State's water bodies should be a priority for the State. Part of that effort needs to be reducing or eliminating the amount of PFAS that is entering the environment through leachate from landfills. This leachate poses health risks to the people that rely on the water and fish from our rivers and the greater ecosystem as a whole. The technology to do this is there, and is being implemented in other States. Please support LD1640. Sincerely, Adrienne Lee