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LD 1138

Dear Transportation Committee Members,

I am Portland resident who actively uses the City's pathways and public transit to commute to work and run errands. Having safe and healthy modes of transportation is important to me.

LD1138 (An Act to Reduce Pollution Associated with Transportation in Alignment with the State's Climate Action Plan). A key component of Maine's Climate Action Plan is reducing pollution from the transportation sector. Unfortunately, we're not making the progress needed to meet our goals. However, solutions are within reach and these solutions will not only help meet our climate goals but will improve public health, boost local economies, and strengthen community safety.

LD 1138 would incentivize investment in safe, clean alternatives including public transit, pedestrian and bike trails, and more pedestrian friendly downtowns. These types of investments move Maine toward a cleaner, healthier and more community engaged State, all cornerstones of Maine's Climate Action Plan.

For these reasons, I strongly support LD1138.

Thank you for your hard work on the Transportation Committee and serving Maine communities.