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My name is Joshua Potter, and I am a regional central consumer, advocate and community member who owns a mobile home, located in Lincon County, Maine.

Please accept this written testimony to the legislative committee on behalf of Bill LD 1723, which I fully agree with. This is an enormous burden that the consumers, homeowner, or renter of manufactured homes are currently facing statewide, with no option or support to prevent ourselves from being priced out of our own homes, which we own. They are continuously increasing the rent and fees for a lot of land less than 1/8 of an acre. We are limited and restricted to what we may do, however there is no limit to what the owners or management companies may charge or receive for the land they offer, as we own our home. They do not own our home.

Many neighbors are elderly, widowed and live on fixed incomes. Some do not have family members, the means to move or anywhere else to live. They cannot afford the increase. Many go without prescriptions, food, utilities, just to afford the rent. This is not acceptable. We must do more. This is why it is so important to pass this Legislative Bill, LD 1723.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

Sincerely,

Joshua Potter