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The STEM program which I am involved in, High School Robotics, relies greatly on funding to support the educational benefits students gain from attending this hands-on experience. The team works hard to raise funds to participate in this program, but as witnessed year after year, less financial support is obtained from companies and schools as their costs increase. Grants such as Bill LD 1740 will help develop ways to inspire and educate students in STEM related activities and programs.

During my 28-year tenor, I have seen many students who participated in the High School STEM program continue their higher education in STEM fields and moved into STEM careers. I strongly believe if Bill LD 1740 is approved, STEM education related activities and programs can continue to significantly benefit students. This not only benefits students but could also give companies in Maine access to a large pool of well-qualified STEM applicants.

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