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This is testimony in support of LD 1870 today, May 5, 2025.

In the next several decades, without strong action now, we will likely be suffering from the many impacts of human caused climate change. By far the largest contributor to climate change has been and continues to be the production of excess carbon dioxide from the burning of fossil fuels,

Therefore it is essential that we rapidly put the brakes on the use of fossil fuels.

One of the most economically efficient ways to do that is by putting a price on carbon pollution. A number of countries around the world have done just that, but here in the US we seem politically gridlocked on climate action at the national level. This bill effectively puts a price on carbon pollution, thus discouraging the use of these fuels and (we hope) encouraging the development of cleaner, and in many cases, cheaper renewable alternatives.

Let's make Maine be a leader in this effort.

Thank you