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I would like to register my support for the proposed legislation. The recent report from the Governor's Commission says that 500 of the 600 school buildings in Maine will need substantial investment in the next 20 years. At the rate which we are fully funding these projects, we will not be able to adequately address these issues - either at the state full funding level or the municipal, fully taxpayer funded level.

Taxpayers cannot continue to bear the full burden of school building replacement as our buildings age out of their useful lives. Please consider redistributing funds on a 25-50% state funding basis and ask taxpayers to make up the difference. This will allow wider impact of state dollars.