Pratt Olson Camden LD 1604

My name is Pratt Olson, and I am a resident of Camden. I am writing to urge you to vote in support of LD 1604 and LD 1349. This legislation will offer some critical protection to the waters of this place that we know colonially as Maine. We all need water; water connects us all. When Casella Waste Management dumps toxic, PFAS-laden leachate into the waters of the Penobscot River, they threaten the wellbeing of every human, animal, and plant living in relationship with the river. This practice especially harms the Penobscot Nation and communities in the immediate vicinity, but as water flows so does the negative impact of pollution. Here on the shores of Penobscot Bay and beyond, we are all affected by this glaring negligence. Water is life. Thank you for taking action to care for the water and for us all.