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Testimony in Opposition of LD 1950, An Act to Authorize the Inclusion of Additional Counties in the Lincoln and Sagadahoc Multicounty Jail Authority

Senator Beebe-Center, Representative Hasenfus, and honorable members of the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety, I write to you in opposition of LD 1950, 'An Act to Authorize the Inclusion of Additional Counties in the Lincoln and Sagadahoc Multicounty Jail Authority'.

I have served on both the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners and the Lincoln and Sagadahoc Multicounty Jail Authority since January of this year. In speaking to my colleagues this bill is a complete shock to us. It was not brought up to anyone that I can find from either Lincoln or Sagadahoc County or the Jail Authority either formally or informally, in the time that I have been there. At this time without support from our Commissioner Boards or Jail Authority I cannot support even the consideration of opening the Authority to new counties without a lot more information.

As far as I'm concerned the lack of communication of this bill to those who it affects is fairly unprecedented. I urge your opposition to the bill.

Sincerely,

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