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LD 2141

I am in support of LD 2141 for the full program, but my comments relate to the Lake Quality Restoration and Protection Fund. I am a member of the Thompson Lake Environmental Association Board of Directors and additional resources to protect all lakes in Maine is critical to preserve the quality of these natural environments. With droughts and severe weather becoming the norm lakes are under more stress than in the past. So, safeguarding these lakes increases tax revenue for the towns that surround them as well as providing recreational activities for all to enjoy. Additionally, Maine's wildlife and downstream health and welfare is also enhanced. With the possibility of less funds coming from the federal government these additional dollars will help many programs that are important to keep these lakes pristine. Thank you for considering my comments.