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LD 785

Testimony in support of LD 785 to the Judiciary Committee February 19, 2026.
Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn, and distinguished members of the Committee:

LD 785, would protect Wabanaki rights by restoring tribal self-government to tribes in Maine.

The bill is based on consensus recommendations from a bipartisan task force convened by the Maine Legislature to address long-standing issues with a land claims act passed in 1980 that governs the relationship between the state and the tribes in Maine