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LD 2187

To: Senator Tepler, Representative Doudera and members of the ENR Committee,  
Please vote ought to pass LD 2187 with Androscoggin upgrade amendment. For  
years, the river has met dissolved oxygen and E. coli Class B standards under  
“business as usual” conditions. Extensive water testing has proven this. Please make  
sure to include a reclassification upgrade amendment of the upper lower  
Androscoggin River.

Clean rivers improve and enhance local economies and strengthen surrounding  
communities. A clean, healthy river attracts people and new businesses to riverfront  
areas, increasing property values, environmental health, and local quality of life. An  
upgrade of the Androscoggin will lock in decades of water quality improvement along  
the river, ensuring that the current balance between industrial use and environmental  
protection is maintained into the future.  
Thank you.