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LD 395

Members of the Judiciary Committee:

I am writing in strong support for LD 395. Fixing the flaws in the 40 year old Settlement Act is long overdue. Without this legislation Maine tribes will continue to be denied access to federal funds and protection provided by federal laws available to all other tribes across US. Multiple studies show it would benefit their economy, as well as Maine's economy more broadly. It excludes gaming, which would still be governed by Maine laws. It has overwhelming support of Maine people and businesses. It only makes sense and it is the only fair thing to do.

thank you,

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