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LD 2187

Senator Tepler, Representative Doudera and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Environment & Natural Resources,

Locking in actual existing improved water quality on the Androscoggin River between Worumbo and Gulf Island Pond dams will help the local economy and the environment. Please support a LD 2187 amendment locking in existing Class B conditions through a classification upgrade for this section of river. Both federal and state laws prohibit backsliding in water quality and ensuring classifications reflect actual conditions is how this is done.

It's imperative that we maintain and improve water quality in our rivers whenever we have the opportunity. With respect to water quality in general, in Maine and specifically pertaining to the Androscoggin River, we must speak consistently and firmly to support reclassifications that enhance water quality and ecosystem values. The returns to Maine citizens is well proven by science and economic return.

Please support this very important bill.
Thank you!