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## Testimony of the Maine Municipal Association

LD 2059, An Act Regarding Processing of Applications Under the Natural Resources Protection Act to Ensure Consistency with Shoreland Zoning Laws

January 10, 2024

Senator Brenner, Representative Gramlich and distinguished members of the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, my name is Amanda Campbell, and I am submitting placeholder testimony on behalf of the Maine Municipal Association (MMA), representing the interests of municipal government.

While the 70-member Legislative Policy Committee (LPC), which directs MMA's advocacy efforts and legislative positions, has not had the opportunity to review LD 2059, it will establish an official position at their first meeting of the year on January 18, 2024.

The inclusion of a potential requirement that a "resubmitted application be accompanied by a municipal approval demonstrating that the proposed activity is in compliance," justifies review by the LPC. If this bill has not been voted out of committee before the LPC can vote on a position, I will submit further testimony at that time. In the interim, we appreciate your understanding of the bill's municipal relevance.