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## Testimony of Rep. Allison Hepler presenting LD 2064, An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Certain Advisory Councils and Boards Related to the Department of Marine Resources Before the Joint Committee on Marine Resources

Good afternoon, Sen. Reny and members of the Marine Resources Committee. I am Allison Hepler and I represent the towns of Arrowsic, Georgetown, Phippsburg, West Bath and Woolwich. I am here today to present LD 2064, An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Certain Advisory Councils and Boards Related to the Department of Marine Resources.

This is a bill from the Department, so I am confident that those coming after me will be better equipped to answer your questions about these specific changes. However, my understanding is that the changes in roles and changes to membership in these various advisory councils are recommendations that have come from the affected councils and boards. Each proposed change is unique to the Board or Council.

Thank you for your time. I am happy to take any questions you may have.