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**Testimony of  
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**In Support of LD 2229**

"An Act Making Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations for the Expenditures of State Government, Highway Fund and Other Funds, and to Change Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2025"

**to the  
Joint Standing Committee on Transportation**

**March 7, 2024**

Senator Chipman, Representative Crafts, and Members of the Transportation Committee, my name is Katharine Wiltuck and I am the Director of Finance and Administration for the Department of Transportation. I am here to present the portion of the Governor's proposed supplemental budget that pertains to MaineDOT.

MaineDOT has one initiative, which is marked as Section A-3 on page 9 of your budget document, and is in the Highway and Bridge Capital program. This initiative increases allotment in the Federal Expenditures Fund to allow MaineDOT to expend federal grant funds, and brings the budget more in line with actual expected expenditures. In sum, this allotment allows us to continue the work described in the Work Plan, which Commissioner Van Note recently presented to you. Without this increased allotment, projects would be delayed.

Ordinarily we would hope to include the request for increased allotment in the biennial budget, however federal funding opportunities continue to evolve and MaineDOT has capitalized on those opportunities. This allotment allows us to expend those funds. We respectfully request your consideration of this initiative.

That concludes my testimony, and I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.