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TO: Committee Education and Cultural Affairs
FROM: Maine Principals' Association Legislative Committee
**RE: In Support of LD 22: An Act to Update the Laws
Governing Education in the Unorganized Territory**
DATE: February 5, 2025

Senator Rafferty, Representative Murphy, and distinguished members of the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs. My name is Dr. Holly Blair, and I am the Executive Director of the Maine Principals' Association – Professional Division. The MPA represents more than 700 PreK-12 principals and assistant principals, CTE directors and assistant directors, and athletic directors of public and private schools in Maine.

The MPA Legislative Committee supports the passing of LD 22. This bill allows for all students, regardless if they live in an unorganized territory or in an organized territory, to adhere to the same expectations set by the Department of Education.

The passing of this bill will help our more rural schools and districts when it comes to eligibility to enroll in education, attendance and truancy, and transportation for all students.

The MPA strongly urges the Committee to vote Ought to Pass on LD 22.