

Testimony on LD 356

An Act to Require Notification of Certain Outdoor Pesticide Applications

Good Morning Senator Talbot-Ross and Representative Pluecker
and the members of the Committee On Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

My name is Eric Seaman. I am a vegetable farmer and I am testifying neither for nor against LD 356.

I am writing this testimony without seeing the proposed amendment to LD 356 but am listening to the testimony being presented at the public hearing. We have a strong Chapter 28 rule enforced by the Maine Board of Pesticide Control allowing for transfer of information from the applicator to neighbor.

As part of food safety rodent control is an important part to of all pest control on the farm and indeed all food establishments. This issue belongs in the hands of the Maine Board of Pesticide Control without strings attached for them to evaluate and amend rules as they deem needed.

Thank You

Eric Seaman