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Senator Tepler, Representative Doudera, and distinguished members of the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources. I am Representative Randy Greenwood, proudly representing my friends and neighbors in Litchfield, Monmouth, and my hometown in Wales, both in Androscoggin and Kennebec Counties. I am here today to present L.D. 825, "An act to prohibit Geoengineering, including the use of Cloud Seeding, Weather Modification, Excessive Radio Waves and Microwave Radiation."

While this is being used and touted as good and necessary to enhance rainfall in drought stricken areas, one concern is that it is also being used in areas that don't fall into that category.

To be clear, I'm not a scientist nor in the health care field, but common sense dictates that spraying chemicals and heavy metals is not healthy and not good for our soil where we grow our food.

While cloud seeding aims to enhance precipitation, potential negative effects include unintended consequences like increased precipitation in an areas leading to droughts elsewhere, flooding, environmental disruptions, and ethical concerns regarding water resource management.

Altering precipitation patterns could disrupt natural weather cycles, potentially impacting agriculture, ecosystems, and water resources in regions beyond the target area.

Some experts argue that the effects of cloud seeding on environmental conditions are not well understood and the potential long-term effects are unknown.

I was raised on a farm and my family roots go back to potato farming and dairy farming. I believe that the severe and adverse weather we are now having is directly related to weather modification and with this bill, we have the power to stop it.

Let's have clean and natural air, soil and water again.

Thank you for your time and I'll be happy to answer any questions you may have.