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Testimony of Rep. Kristen Cloutier presenting LD 1584, An Act to Establish Municipal Cost Components for Unorganized Territory Services to Be Rendered in Fiscal Year 2025-26

Before the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation

Good afternoon Senator Grohoski and colleagues on the Taxation Committee. As you know, my name is Kristen Cloutier, and I represent House District 94, which includes part of my hometown of Lewiston. I am pleased to sponsor LD 1584, An Act to Establish Municipal Cost Components for Unorganized Territory Services to Be Rendered in Fiscal Year 2025-26 on behalf of the State Auditor.

LD 1584 is an emergency bill that establishes costs for state and county services within unorganized territory. These services would typically be funded by a municipality. The established costs serve as the property tax for the unorganized territory.

Thank you for your consideration. I will now defer to Matt Dunlap, our state auditor, who can present the bill in more detail and answer any questions you may have.