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Senator Nangle, Representative Crafts, and the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation

Re: Support LD 1756

This bill is clearly focused and well written. It has done an excellent job of trying to balance various interested parties.

My only concern is that I would hope that the "transportation engineer" is an expert on all modes of transportation. The engineer must keep in mind the unrecognized role that railroads play in making Maine's transportation system work now, and how they can be used to further lower pollution and energy demands for both freight and passengers.

Sincerely,

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