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Testimony of Representative Holly B. Stover presenting

LD 1741, An Act Regarding County Law Enforcement

Administration and Rural Law Enforcement

Before the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government

Senator Baldacci, Representative Salisbury and members of the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government, I am Holly Stover. I am honored to represent House District 48. Thank you for the opportunity to speak today as sponsor of **LD 1741, An Act Regarding County Law Enforcement Administration and Rural Law Enforcement**.

I am respectfully requesting that the committee carry this legislation over for consideration during the Second Regular Session of the 132nd Legislature. I have been working closely with Lincoln County Sheriff Todd Brackett, who in turn has been working with the Maine Sheriffs Association, and we are not yet ready to move forward. However, I believe this is important legislation that deserves our consideration. For these reasons, I hope the committee will agree to include LD 1741 in its list of requested carryover bills. This will give us time over the interim to ensure we can return to this committee in January ready to move forward.

Thank you for your consideration. I would be happy to answer any questions you may have for me in this time.