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Testimony of Rep. Lydia Crafts presenting
LD 305, An Act Regarding Transportation in Maine
Before the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation

Good afternoon, Senator Nangle and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation. My name is Lydia Crafts, and I represent House District 46, which includes Bristol, Damariscotta, Monhegan Plantation, Newcastle and Nobleboro. Today, I am pleased to present **LD 305, An Act Regarding Transportation in Maine.**

Last session, this committee updated the disabled veterans' exemption to make the program more targeted. In doing so, the program unintentionally excluded veterans who qualify for the program except that they lease their vehicles rather than own. This update was brought to me by the good Representative from Oakland and he can provide real-life examples from his community.

I ask that this committee maintain the emergency preamble and make the policy change retroactive, to make right the unintended negative consequences for those disabled veterans.

Thank you for your time and I am happy to answer any questions.