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Testimony of the Maine Municipal Association

**In Support Of**

**LD 2229 - An Act Regarding Municipal Inspection of the Electrical and Plumbing Components of a  
Manufactured Home**

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Senator Curry, Representative Gere, and distinguished members of the Housing and Economic Development Committee, my name is Tanya Emery, and I thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of LD 2229 as proposed to be amended by the Maine Office of Community Affairs (MOCA) on behalf of the Maine Municipal Association's (MMA) Legislative Policy Committee (LPC). MMA's LPC is composed of seventy municipal officials from across Maine, elected by their peers to represent member communities.

LD 2229 is an important step toward addressing standards and inspections for electrical and plumbing components of manufactured housing and the disparity for 3+ unit residential buildings and commercial buildings. As drafted, this bill could be construed to remove some of the crucial municipal inspections that ensure the home is properly connected to the water supply, septic or municipal sewer, and electrical service. These important pieces done on site must be preserved, to ensure manufactured housing residents are safely connected to external systems.

Our understanding is that an amendment being offered by the MOCA intends to address this by providing corrective language and returning the bill to the intent reflected in the Housing Production Innovation Work Group report. MMA's support of this bill is contingent on that amendment, as we support the important work of addressing these complex regulatory schemes that stifle housing production in Maine.

Thank you for your time and attention to this important matter and for considering the municipal perspective. I am happy to answer any questions you might have.

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