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Members of the Joint Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Committee: My name is Jo Ann Myers, a resident and farmer in Waldoboro for over 20 years. I urge you to support LD 558 which would begin the process of identifying remediation efforts for farmers whose land is contaminated with perfluoroalkyl and polyfluornalkyl substances. This study is important considering that, at this point in time, Maine does not know how much farmland has been contaminated, and to what extent contamination has disseminated to non-farm land, including private and public wells, residential land, waterways and areas used by the public. Remediation may be a long and extensive process. The sooner we begin to understand what remediation is feasible and its costs, the better. Thank you.