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York
LD 2091

To: Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

From: Anne Bancroft

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Re: Testimony in support of LD 2091, An Act to Allow the Reuse of Food Containers by More than One Customer

Senator Ingwersen, Representative Pluecker, and honorable members of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry:

My name is Anne Bancroft. I am a resident of York, and a supporter of Maine Youth Action. I am writing to support LD 2091, An Act to Allow the Reuse of Food Containers by More than One Customer.

We have become a throw-away culture, too often using single-use containers for our own convenience while stressing the world's resources and polluting our environment. Allowing the reuse of food containers will not solve our negative impact on the world, but it will be a step in the right direction.

My father served the United States Navy for 30 years. As a result, my family and I lived on both coasts of the mainland US, and spent many years in Hawaii, as well. I have watched our seacoasts become dumping grounds, littering our beaches with containers that too often served a single purpose – the quantity of refuse reflecting that reality.

Please vote to move this legislation forward so that we can encourage more responsible use of containers and reduce our impact on the environment.

I urge you to vote “ought to pass” on LD 2091.

Sincerely,
Anne Bancroft