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Committee members, on behalf of the 290 employee-owners of ReVision Energy, we are submitting testimony in support of LD 1668. Our company's vision is that our kids, grandkids, and future generations will enjoy a clean environment and just society throughout New England, and this can only be accomplished by closing the last youth prison in Maine and reinvesting in our communities to support our youth.

Located just across the street from ReVision Energy's South Portland shop, our co-owners pass by Long Creek each day. This space is part of our community. For too long, leaders at all levels have tried to mitigate crime by pumping more money into police departments and prisons instead of investing in community programs, such as job training and mental health services, to combat the root causes. We want to see the Long Creek building transformed into the community space it can be - a place where Maine's youth can be nurtured and thrive.

We believe that LD 1668 creates the opportunity to move away from locking up Maine's youth with clear action steps to reinvest \$18.6 million into transitioning correctional workers into new jobs, repurposing the Long Creek facility into community space and housing, and creating support systems for our youth. We want to welcome our youth into the just society we envision. As ReVision Energy knows well in the renewable energy realm, we must re-envision our future to care for our planet and our future generations. We must innovate and transform to preserve what we hold dear. Without justice for all, there is no justice in our communities.

Thank you for your consideration, Phoebe Hunt ReVision Energy co-owner