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I oppose LD 1478.

Maine's economy and budget relies on annual tourism to the State.

Allowing an influx of unsightly homelessness would reduce tax revenue generated by paying tourists.

Also, the taxpayer paid services listed in LD 1478 could potentially increase homelessness in the State by providing appealing services to homeless out-of-staters looking to capitalize on the following services: "...but not limited to, crisis services, emergency and transitional housing and case management services."

According to an article written by USAtoday.com on 04/19/2020, Maine has the 5th highest tax burden in the entire Country.

Continuing to place higher burdens on Maine's taxpayers for unnecessary services such as those outlined in LD 1478 will continue to make Maine a less appealing State to live in.