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Re: Testimony in Support of L.D.1572, H.P.1169, Resolve, To Analyze the Impact of Sea Level Rise

Senate Chair Brenner, House Chair Tucker, and members of the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources,

My name is Celeste Carey. I live in Newcastle, where I have had the pleasure to vote for former Representative Mick Devin, who was a member of the Marine Resources Committee. He wrote wonderful legislation to advance our ocean's health and to protect our shellfish grounds and economy. This was well before our Climate Council was formed.

Regarding this resolve, our coastal towns are all ready preparing as they can to address sea level rise. In my area, the Lincoln County Regional Planning Commission has been involved in a sea level rise study and currently is updating the county emergency management plan. Part of that plan relates to sea level rise.

The engineering tasks before us are daunting. Policy review and change are needed as we address climate matters.

Thank you for your consideration of my testimony.

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