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Dear Senator Stacy Brenner, Representative Ralph Tucker, and the Distinguished Members of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee:

I am writing to ask that the Environment and Natural Resources Committee vote that LD 1572: Resolve, To Analyze the Impact of Sea Level Rise, ought to pass because it is far better to be proactive when possible. We have science telling us that sea level will rise to the extent that it will affect Maine people and communities adversely. If we do not act now, the cost will be exponential to those bearing the consequences of inaction. It doesn't make sense to saddle Maine's people in the future with problems that could be managed and planned for

We have an opportunity to understand what will happen in the future when sea level rises. We're already seeing effects now. We have the knowledge, skills and resources at hand to make sea level rise plans. We need your will. Please pass LD 1572.

Sincerely, Dale M. Lewis