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Hello,

I'm Jodi Breau, President of Dental Lace Inc. A zero waste oral care product company based in Cape Elizabeth and Pittsfield. Plastic pollution is a huge problem around the globe. It is harming our environment, our wildlife and us.

Did you know that every toothbrush that has been manufactured since the 1950's is still with us and will be for many years to come?

Did you know if everyone in the U.S. flosses their teeth according to ADA recommendations, every year the empty dispensers alone would fill a landfill the size of a football field 6 stories high?

Toothbrushes and floss are small items but they do contribute to our plastic pollution problem in a big way.

I support LD 1541 not LD 1471 because businesses have got to decide that they won't create harmful

products, as I have. It's a decision. Either you continue to poison or you don't. If businesses decide to create sustainable products and packaging then Maine Municipal Recycling Programs won't have the problem we have today.

Unfortunately, too many businesses have got to be forced to do the right thing. If enough governments force regulation and if enough people stop buying their polluting products then and only then will some change their ways.

I'm proud to say I'm from Maine. A state that leads the nation and in some cases the world in our efforts to keep Maine a beautiful healthy place to live.

Thank you