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Dear Committee Clerk Sabrina Carey,

LD 1639 is a bad bill brought by opponents of a single landfill. We must consider the “big picture” and the huge benefits that the landfill in Old Town provides the state as a whole. Maine owns a state-of-the-art landfill that leads New England in environmental compliance. It provides a safe and more environmentally friendly option for the disposal of hard to manage materials like construction and demolition debris, wastewater sludge, and bulky waste. Some disposal facilities still burn construction and demo debris as allowed by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection, but that does not occur in Old Town.

LD 1639 would hinder the ability of the landfill operators to maintain high environmental standards and set Maine back in terms of public safety and affordable disposal options. I am urging you to vote NO on the bill.

Sincerely,
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