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To: Co-Chairs Brenner and Tucker, and Environment and Natural Resources
Committee Members

From: Diane Oltarzewski, Belfast

Re: LD1639: "An Act to Protect the Health and Welfare of Maine Communities
and Reduce Harmful Solid Waste"

I write to strongly support LD 1639 - we must put a hard stop to allowing toxic out-of-state waste to be dumped onto our land, where it will inevitably contaminate our water. This is wrong and it must end!

There is no doubt that we are ruining our planet. Just as each individual and each household has to reckon with reducing its waste stream and disposing properly of the waste it does generate, so each region, each state, and each nation has a responsibility to deal with its own waste and not allow it to be dumped elsewhere for someone else to worry about and be sickened by.

Please do the right thing and vote ought to pass, unanimously! for LD 1639. Please give our beautiful state a chance to remain healthy for as long as possible. It's up to us.

Thank you.