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Waterville
LD 164

Dear members of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee,
Kimberly and David Hallee live in Waterville and our seasonal camp is on McGrath Pond in Oakland. We are asking for your support today for LD 164: An Act to Fund the Lake Restoration and Protection Fund.

For 13 years as LakeSmart trained evaluators we have been teaching property owners effective ways to manage and care for their property to prevent runoff which causes algae growth, green slime, water quality and pocketbook loss! Additionally, David has conducted Secchi disc readings which indicate water clarity on our beloved McGrath Pond and Salmon Lake. Kimberly, RN has devoted 43 years to Maine's healthcare and Hospice programs in Central ME. David, CPL, CAL, CPS dba Boy Locksmith continues to provide security services in Central ME and beyond. His father founded the company in 1975! As Volunteers we continue to teach healthcare of our lakes hoping to ensure security of our lake water quality, community prosperity and coveted quality of life.

The effects of warming waters, longer growing seasons, larger rain events, and increased development pressure are putting our lakes at greater risk with every passing day. Funding for lake protection projects, including implementation of Best Management Practices, replacement of failing septic systems, stronger invasive species management programs, and treatment of lakes with chronic algae blooms are desperately needed to safeguard lake health in the coming decades.

Please invest in the healthy future of Maine's lakes today to protect local economies, outdoor tourism, sporting and recreation businesses, drinking water supplies, wildlife habitat and so much more for all who use lakes in the future. Thank you. Sincerely,
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