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I am Heidi Sanborn, the Founding Executive Director of the National Stewardship Action Council here in strong support of LD 1814 by Rep. Bell. We passed AB 2208 in CA last year that essentially is the same bill. We are delighted that CA and Maine continue to lead the nation in preventing toxics from entering our states going back to EPR for mercury thermostats in 2008. In fact, I sponsored a delegation of CA state legislators that visited Maine July of 2022 to learn about all that you are doing in Maine and develop even closer relationships between our state legislators as our states both can lead the nation on mercury lighting sales phase out and much more. We had no opposition to this bill in CA and worked through any issues with stakeholders and hope you have the same broad support we did to pass this important bill to eliminate toxic mercury from lighting and increase energy efficiency saving businesses and residents money.