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Hello my name is Travis Doughty I'm a lobsterman from Cushing Maine. I support bill Ld101 not only as a lobsterman but as a steward of the Gulf of Maine. As a lobsterman my grandfathers and many other men built a brand that is second to none the stock is so robust that whenever people ask me where I'm from it is always followed by lobstering conversation. As a state we are known for lobsters like Georgia is to a peach. I don't understand why we would risk the damage to the Gulf's habitat over this science project. I work there and a huge red flag for me is November to May. Those months signify weather. With a 47 foot vessel and a young able body I beat and batter my body just to tend my pots just east south east of this planned site. There is no way if a malfunction is to happen that anyone will ever be able to tend to these problems if they arise. I have four sons who are planning to make a living in this industry and I take care of it just like my forefathers before me. This is a terrible choice for the Gulf not only for their future but for the habitat we work so hard to protect. We have been through numerous compliance measures all which we have taken in stride and co-existed with but this proposal is not welcomed by the fleet this is a way too risky for the industry and the state. Please listen to the men and women who work this office daily and reconsider where these windmills should be placed. We need renewable energy but in the Gulf is not the place it's impossible to service 6 months a year the damage to habitat may never rebound the carbon footprint to install is astronomical and there is no gain to risk against a thriving state industry..NO WINDMILLS FOR THE GULF