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I VERY STRONGLY URGE YOU TO VOTE OUGHT NOT TO PASS on LD1926, An Act to Require Increased Housing Density or Lower Minimum Lot Sizes for Workforce Housing. I believe this to be a very troublesome bill for the citizens of Maine. The way I read the bill is calls for an "Increased Density" or a "Lower Minimum Lot Size" for housing. In other words, large housing complexes with many, many occupants. This will mean more people on the roads or more public transportation usages. More use of local facilities like stores and doctors and dentists. More people competing for jobs. More stores and facilities and services needed in the area. More pollution from the extra transportation and heating. More town and county employees to handle the mass of people. More, and more and more. All impacting the infrastructure of the town and state. More food to be hauled in, more electricity to create, more health service, etc, etc. The bill also calls for the people to have less than 220% of the median income of the area to get help with their rent. 220% of Maine median income is \$157,740. They get this for 30 years! Not many people in Maine make that kind of money and you're asking them to subsidize these tenants. It sounds like a NYC bad dream! Small lots sizes and many tenants mean you build up! Not to mention how it will hurt landlords in the area who don't get these subsidies. We don't need the urban sprawl of Portland and Boston, etc. across our beautiful state. Please stop this bad legislation for Maine! PLEASE VOTE OUGHT NOT TO PASS on LD1926. Your children and grandchildren will Thank you and I will Thank you!