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Senator Claxton, Representative Meyer and distinguished members of the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services,

My name is Poppy Arford and I represent State House District 49 in Brunswick. I am writing today in support of LD 164 “An Act to Establish Maximum Contaminant Levels under the State's Drinking Water Rules for Certain Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances”.

LD 164 amends the current statute by setting State drinking water levels at 20 PPT for multiple perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances. I support this rule as based on relevant studies this level is necessary to protect our water supply statewide.

My constituents have expressed concern about PFAS contamination on the Brunswick Navy base renamed The Landing. One of whom, Kathy Higgins, has submitted a more detailed testimony.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this critical public health issue.

Representative Poppy Arford