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I am writing in support of the bill LD 1551. Restricting the types of cosmetics sold in Maine to include only products that are not tested on animals is the humane and conscious choice. Years ago I worked at Eli Lilly and very sadly recall seeing the rabbits whose eyes were used to test mascara and other cosmetics from Elizabeth Arden Cosmetics. Lilly owned Arden at the time. It seems a needless, mindless act and such a cruel way to treat a living creature.

Surely, with all the technology we have available we can make products safe for humans and not harm animals in the process. Currently some cosmetics are made without the use of animal testing. Making the choice easier by presenting only those types of products will encourage other manufacturers to do the same.

As a resident in the State of Maine I am proud to live with people who place a high value on our natural resources. Voting for LD1551 is in alignment with who we are as conscious, caring individuals who can use our power to protect the powerless.