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Members of the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Committee:

I write to support the provisions of LD 171. As we see more and more lakes and great ponds adversely affected by invasive plant species we know that prevention of infestation is far more effective than remediation once a lake has been invaded. It took over 30 years and many thousands of dollars for the beloved lake close to my birth home in New York State to recover from a milfoil invasion. I strongly support efforts like this which will serve to minimize the risk that any additional lakes here in Maine will be so affected.

We have many pristine lakes in Piscataquis County and hope to keep them free of invasive plant species for generations to come!

Thank you for addressing this important concern.