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Dear Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn, and esteemed members of the Judiciary Committee,

My name is Diane Coveny and my husband I live in a condominium in Brunswick. I am writing to implore you to pass LD1132. I am aware that currently this law does not cover condominiums such as the one I live in. Many of us want to engage in-low impact landscaping, but the bylaws of this condominium do not allow this. We pay exorbitant fees for a companies to mow, rake, weed and spread air borne pesticides.

I personally have witnessed spray for the apple trees wafting towards neighbors homes. Or chemicals being sprayed near the small creek. I regret not taking videos of these incidences.

My husband is a survivor of 2 major cancers and I suffer from a heart disease. These toxic chemicals are definitely not healthy for us!

High-impact landscaping is foisted upon all of us here whether we agree or not. Having moved from a huge tract of land where we did not use harmful chemicals on our orchards, vegetable or flowers, I personally know the beauty that can be derived from low impact practices and the knowledge that it is cost effective.

Brunswick is an incredibly beautiful and vibrant community. The areas that have gone chemical free, or low impact landscaping are friendly, inviting and safe! Please vote to pass LD1132 to ensure the health of our community,our watershed, and state. Also to promote these practices as an example for other states. Revive the saying "As Maine goes, so goes the Nation"

In closing I want to thank Senator Daughtrey for introducing and championing the passage of this bill and all of you for considering my request.

Respectfully submitted,  
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