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PLA's are bad for Maine companies and Maine workers. Approximately 95% of all construction workers in Maine work in a non-union entity. This bill is clearly aimed to make it extremely difficult for Maine companies to compete on Renewable Energy projects. This is clearly a special interest carve-out for 5% of the construction workforce in Maine. This is a bad policy for Maine and blatantly wrong. It is not the job of the government to choose winners and losers. it is the job of the government to provide equal opportunity and fairness. I strongly encourage you to kill this bill. If you still want to push this type of bill forward you should endeavor to engage with the companies or industry representatives for which this bill attempts to freeze out of the process. Namely 95% of Maine construction companies. We live here, we work here, we support our local economies, we volunteer our time and our resources to make Maine better every day. This bill punishes us and rewards out-of-state, union contractors. It is hard enough to do business in this state. I implore you please don't make it harder.