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Honorable members of this Committee:

Please do not support this bill. I oppose the bill and believe individual towns should maintain the ability to address and implement changes in housing and zoning rules. As you can see on the State of Maine's Maine.gov website, a municipality's local government is who provides land use planning.

What is the purpose of local governance if a town's populace rejects or accepts a proposal via referendum and that referendum is then overturned by a small group of people who don't live in that community? This is a slippery slope that erodes the self-governance of municipalities in the State of Maine.