

## MEMBERS

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C.B. Mattson, Inc.  
Caleb Foundation, The  
CMHI Property Management Inc  
Community Housing of Maine  
DBH Management  
DC Management  
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Management Inc  
Deering Pavilion  
Dover-Foxcroft Housing Dev Corp  
Downeast Community Partners  
Eagle Point Management, LLC  
Ellen M Leach Memorial Home  
Evernorth  
Federal Management Co., Inc  
Foothills Management  
Forside Real Estate Mgt  
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Guilford Development Corp  
Hallkeen Management, Inc  
Harbor Management  
Harborview Management LLC  
Hillside Apts  
Housing Authority City of Old  
Town  
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Kathryn Hughes Associates, Inc.  
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LaBrecque Property Management  
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Maine Development  
Mary Young  
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On Behalf of the Maine Real Estate Managers  
Association

In support of LD 1107 Resolve, to Establish a Pilot  
project to Improve Access to Credit for Low-income  
Individuals

March 27, 2023

Senator Tipping, Representative Roeder, and members of the Labor and Housing Committee, my name is Sherrin Vail, and I am writing to you as a member of the Maine Real Estate Managers Association (MREMA).

Our organization is a nonprofit which represents over 80 professional property management companies providing affordable and subsidized housing throughout the state. It is within our mission to promote the availability of safe, decent affordable housing in Maine. Our management members are both for-profit and nonprofit landlords that believe in this mission.

As property managers, we have applicant screening in place with credit history a part of the selection criteria. Our only means to know if an applicant has a positive rental history payment is to contact prior landlords, who may or may not call us back. Our members support a more systematic way to identify applicant's positive rent payment history.

Our members also focus on providing our residents with an improved quality of life through resident service programs. These programs connect residents with services in the community to help their financial, health and overall wellbeing. Part of our resident's wellbeing and access to opportunity is the ability to establish positive credit history with rent reporting. Some of our residents have credit they need to repair or credit they need to establish to buy a vehicle, get student loans for themselves or their children, or buy a house. Rent reporting is a pathway towards those opportunities. This is a terrific opportunity for residents while also providing a landlord benefit by incentivizing on-time monthly rent payments.

Because this pilot program doesn't charge a fee to residents or landlords, it is accessible to all.

For all the reasons noted above, MREMA supports the passage of LD 1107.

Thank you for your consideration, and please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

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Phoenix Management  
Pines, The  
Portland Housing Authority  
Preservation Management Inc  
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R & K Oxford Management  
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Realty Services, LLC  
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