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The Honorable David Miramant, Senate Chair The Honorable Jay McCreight, House
Chair Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources Cross Building, Room 206
Augusta, ME. 04333

Senator Miramant, Representative McCreight, Honorable Members of the Joint
Standing Committee on Marine Resources:

Thank you for providing me the opportunity to submit my testimony. My name is
Dave Morang . I am the Business Development Manager for Cooke Aquaculture US,
Inc. and live in Eastport, Maine.

I write to you today to testify in strong opposition to LD 1211, “A Resolve, To Create
the Study Group to Research Balancing Development and Conservation in Maine's
Coastal Waters and Submerged Lands

I ask you to vote to defeat LD 1211. There have been numerous studies regarding this
subject in my 30 plus year career in aquaculture. Working waterfronts have been a
staple in Maine living since Maine was incorporated. From sardine fishing and
factories (dating back to the 1800's) to aquaculture, Maine families rely on the
waterfront to make a sustainable living. This bill is just another backdoor effort to
get LD1146 passed.

I want to thank the committee for your patience and willingness to listen closely to
those of us who make our living on the water and help preserve Maine's endangered
working waterfronts. Please vote Ought NOT to Pass on LD 1211. Thank you for
your attention. I would be glad to answer any questions you have.

Respectfully,
Dave Morang