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LD 1513

Senator Baldacci, Representative Matlack, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Committee on State and Local Government:

My name is Debra Carter, and I live in Fayette, Maine. I own property on Young Road a discontinued road that we were not aware of when we bought this property in 2003. I am writing in support of L.D. 1513 as amended, to form a permanent Commission to work on the problems of abandoned and discontinued roads. These roads affect residents throughout the State of Maine, and the issues are complex, requiring more study than is possible during a single legislative session.

I also support Maine ROADWays proposed amendment. I agree that the Commission should include a RESIDENT ON such a road under Members D (5), and in Duties (A), not just a Maine resident who owns property on such a road. Landowners have representation through Members D(3).

So my husband had 4 heart attacks and thank goodness it was not in mud season or winter with a lot of snow on the ground as I don't think the ambulances could have gotten here to our home. We have put money into this road and we feel that the town should do something for the taxpayers. They do nothing and we pay over \$3,000.00 in taxes.

I ask you to vote this important legislation "ought to pass."

Thank you.  
Debra A. Carter