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RE: LD 645 - In Favor.

Senator Diamond, Representative Martin, and distinguished members of the Committee on Transportation, I'm Representative Dick Bradstreet and I represent House District 80, which is comprised of my home town of Vassalboro, Windsor, Somerville and part of Augusta. I'm offering written testimony today in support of LD 645, Resolve, To Create an Electronic Titling Work Group. I'd like to thank Representative White for sponsoring LD 645.

I understand that certain members of the lending industry have requested this Resolve so that a work group created by the Department of the Secretary of State, Bureau of Motor Vehicles will be able to study electronic titling for motor vehicles. In light of the still present COVID pandemic and the challenges it has posed for so many Mainers in appearing in-person to execute required documentation, I believe this is an ideal time to formulate such a work group. It will be able to ferret out any statutory obstacles that may currently exist, advise on ways to remove these obstacles, and offer direction on what needs to be done to provide more efficient issuance of legally required documents in an increasingly technological world.

I strongly recommend an "Ought to Pass" vote on LD 645. Thank you.

Representative Dick Bradstreet