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Testimony of Rep. Maggie O'Neil sponsoring LD 899, An Act to Protect Privacy and Security at the Bureau of Motor Vehicles

Before the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation

Senator Diamond, Representative Martin and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation, my name is Maggie O'Neil and I represent House District 15, which is part of Saco. I am here today as sponsor of **LD 899**, **An Act to Protect Privacy and Security at the Bureau of Motor Vehicles**. I respectfully request the committee carry this bill over for consideration during the Second Regular Session of the 130th Legislature.

In the era of cybersecurity, the need to protect the data of consumers is critical. To address this demand, I have been working in collaboration with the Office of the Secretary of State, including the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, to identify outstanding needs surrounding privacy and security within the Bureau, develop mechanisms to protect driver and vehicle records, and guarantee compliance with state and federal laws.

However, the Secretary of State, Deputy Secretary Cathie Curtis, and I all agree that it would be best to carry this bill over to the second session in order to have enough time to accurately assess the needs of the Bureau and how to effectively and efficiently utilize the law and best practices to ensure strong privacy protections and records management.

Thank you for your consideration. I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.