

Testimony in Support of LD 1634
“An Act to Grant Municipalities the Authority to Set Certain Lower Motor Vehicle Speed Limits Without a Department of Transportation Speed Study”

Good afternoon Senator Chipman, Representative Williams, and honorable members of the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation. My name is Scott Harriman and I am testifying in support of LD 1634, “An Act to Grant Municipalities the Authority to Set Certain Lower Motor Vehicle Speed Limits Without a Department of Transportation Speed Study.”

Municipalities ought to be able to set speed limits on their local streets without the time-consuming process of a Department of Transportation speed study and without assuming responsibility for the speed limits on every single road in town.

Having the ability to set lower speed limits allows municipalities to respond to local traffic issues in their business districts or other congested areas. Slower traffic in these places makes them more attractive and comfortable for the people who live, work and visit there. This, in turn, increases the potential for economic development, not to mention the safety benefits for everyone on the street.

Please vote Ought To Pass on LD 1634. Thank you for your time and for your service to our state.

Sincerely,

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