Edward Ashley Yarmouth LD 511

I live in Yarmouth, Maine, and I urge the Transportation Committee to vote in support of LD 511. An interim trail from Portland to Auburn would improve public health, protect the environment, connect to public transit, and provide options for people who don't drive, or simply want to drive less.

In addition to the through connection from Portland to Auburn, as a Yarmouth resident this would be of great local benefit, enabling safe efficient and inviting pedestrian and bike connection links within town, as well as short connections for shopping or recreation with destinations in Freeport, North Yarmouth, Cumberland and Falmouth. It would also be of direct economic benefit to Yarmouth because of people coming from those other towns for shopping, dining or recreation in Yarmouth.

Please vote "ought to pass."