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My name is Cynthia O'Brien, and I was born and raised in Downeast Maine. My husband and I have owned and operated a small business for 42 years in Calais and have seen the ups and "many" downs with the economy in this area. It seems Downeast Maine is always behind the rest of the State of Maine and needs every avenue possible to continue to survive. This bill LD956 will help to create opportunities for new businesses and existing businesses by opening up this area to more recreational activities. We, personally, would love to see this happen and will use it ourselves, along with many others in this area. Every business, large or small, would benefit from any extra revenue created by this extension of the trail. I would like to thank the committee members and I urge you to vote "Ought to Pass" on LD 956.