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To Senator Brenner, Representative Tucker, and the honorable members of the Committee On Environment and Natural Resources,

My name is Michael Isreal Mosley, I'm a resident of Waterville and I'm offering my testimony in support of LD 1639.

Over the past few years, globally, we have seen developing countries refusing to take American waste. When that waste can't be exported internationally, it get's exported to other states. When we allow companies to exploit loopholes that give them a green light to take waste from these other states and dump it in Maine what you are condoning is making Maine their new dumping ground in place of those developed countries. I don't want Maine to become anyone's landfill.

More than that, they want to dump their waste in Maine because their own states have banned dumping the toxic debris that they are filling our land with. As a state we have a responsibility to care for our people and our land and I, for one, think that if it isn't fit to put in the ground in Massachusetts or New Hampshire then it isn't fit to be put in our ground just because someone makes a dollar off it.

This legislation wouldn't even extend to commercial waste management. Just the waste management that is the responsibility of the State to begin with. Taken all together I see no reason not to support this by voting Ought To Pass.