



**Testimony in Support of LD 1639,
An Act To Protect the Health and Welfare
of Maine Communities and Reduce Harmful Solid Waste**
Sarah K. Nichols, NRCM Sustainable Maine Director, May 17, 2021

Senator Brenner, Representative Tucker, and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, my name is Sarah Nichols, and I am the Sustainable Maine Director for the Natural Resources Council of Maine (NRCM). I appreciate this opportunity to testify in strong support of LD 1639. The time has come for Maine to stand up for its environment and people and stop being the dumping ground for New England's construction and demolition debris waste.

The primary reason why the State bought the Juniper Ridge Landfill (JRL) in 2004 was to have the legal authority to prevent it from being filled with waste sent to Maine from other states. In the decades leading up to that purchase, other New England states passed strict disposal regulations, and the Supreme Court ruled that states cannot violate the commerce clause by preventing waste from one state from being disposed of in a commercial landfill in another state. Maine had already taken necessary steps to prevent new commercial landfills in 1989; and, by replacing them with publicly owned disposal facilities like JRL, Maine could prevent out-of-state waste from being dumped here. This move was intended to extend the operating lives of Maine's existing landfills and lessen the need and cost to expand or site new landfills in the state. However, JRL has unfortunately become a dumping ground for out-of-state waste because of a loophole in Maine law.

- At least 30% of the waste landfilled at JRL each year is construction and demolition debris (CDD) that originated out-of-state. In 2019, that amounted to 235,396 tons, or the equivalent of sixteen forty-ton tractor trailer trucks dumping waste into JRL every single day of the year.
- The total weight of waste going to JRL has increased by 32% since 2012. The 2017 disposal amounts were 40% higher than the maximum amounts anticipated in 2004 and shows no sign of slowing down without legislative action.
- Between 2011 and 2019, one of Maine's solid waste processing facilities in Lewiston, on average, received 89% of its waste from out of state, while only 11% was in-state waste.¹ The processing being done only prevented 9% of all of the waste, both in-state and out-of-state, from going to a landfill. That means 91% of what the facility takes in ends up in JRL.

The landfill operator, New England Waste Services of Maine (NEWSME), LLC, a subsidiary of Casella Waste Systems, makes money from operating the landfill. They have consistently applied for, and been permitted by the State, to increase tonnage limits and expand the licensed capacity to accommodate a growing volume of waste, much of it from beyond Maine's borders. This is a massive injustice to the people of Maine, particularly for the communities adjacent to the landfill.

¹ See the attached table for the source data.

The Legal Loophole

Maine law currently allows for [out-of-state waste to be classified as in-state waste](#) just by virtue of being delivered to one of Maine’s solid waste processing or incineration facilities. These facilities process the waste to reduce the weight and volume of waste needing to be landfilled. Then they send what is left over—or the residuals--to landfills. A few examples of the residual materials are incinerator ash, or a small ancillary part of waste processing—like packaging removed from food waste that has been digested, or “fines,” which are a soil-like material made from the processing of construction and demolition debris.

Most waste facilities in Maine process a majority of in-state waste, and the weight of the residuals going to landfill is not much. However, the problem here is that we have a waste processing facility that takes in a majority of out-of-state waste, doesn’t reduce the volume of material needing to be landfilled much at all, and then sends a significant amount of “residual material” that actually originated from out of state to JRL—and that is legal to do only through this process of recharacterizing the waste through minor processing. Clearly, this is a loophole that needs to be fixed, making it illegal for out-of-state waste to qualify for in-state landfill disposal in this fashion.

And it gets worse. Each solid waste processing facility in the state that creates residuals needing disposal must recycle no less than 50% of the waste that they process to maintain their facility permit. [Maine law currently has a special carve out for one facility](#), which only must reduce or recycle 15% by 2022, and 25% by 2023, and they have special permission to be granted a waiver if they can’t meet these meager goals. This carve out is being given to the one facility that happens to also be sending about 200,000 tons of waste to JRL each year, the vast majority of which is material that originated from out of state. Our law gives them express permission to continue the business of bringing in out-of-state waste to be buried in JRL disguised as in-state waste. That isn’t right.

LD 1639 Closes the Loophole

Maine does not have a legal mechanism to prevent Maine’s *commercial* solid waste processing facilities from accepting out-of-state waste, and we recognize that these facilities need to dispose bypass and residue in landfills. However, we believe commercial solid waste facilities should not be permitted to dispose in State-owned landfills like JRL more tons of waste than they take in from true Maine-based sources. A requirement like this would close the loophole and make it impossible to disguise out-of-state waste as in-state waste. We also believe that each of Maine’s solid waste processing facilities needs to be fairly held to the same environmental standards.

NRCM believes that the State has failed adequately to protect JRL, an asset for the people of Maine, from being filled with out-of-state waste. This failure has opened the door for businesses that now exploit a loophole in Maine’s waste management laws and rules to accept out-of-state waste and accelerate the fill-rate at JRL. This outcome is negatively impacting the health and welfare of the communities adjacent to JRL and is antithetical to the intent of State landfill ownership. We believe it is the State’s responsibility to right that wrong by voting in favor of LD 1639. Please see the names of the 1,604 people who have sign a petition in support of LD 1639, attached.

**Summary of ReEnergy Lewiston Solid Waste Inputs & Outputs
prepared by Dept. of Environmental Protection
January 2021**

Year	INCOMING WASTE		RESIDUES SHIPPED FOR BENEFICIAL USE (tons)		METALS RECOVERED (tons)	RESIDUES SHIPPED TO LANDFILLS (tons)	
	Total CDD Received** (tons)	% total by state	CDD wood fuel	CDD wood for raw material subs.		CDD fines/cover chips used for ADC, etc.	CDD disposed in landfill
2011	229,979	CT - <1 MA - 85 ME - 9 NH - 5 RI - <1	18,123	0	2,903	124,042	97,764
2012	222,631	MA - 85 ME - 9 RI - <1 NH - 6	28,492	0	4,784	136,815	63,280
2013	197,803	MA - 85 ME - 12 NH - 2 RI - <1	16,569	0	4,338	137,336	54,545
2014	164,593	MA - 85 ME - 14 NH - 1	10,032	0	4,306	110,437	48,113
2015	181,338	MA - 86 ME - 13 NH - 1	6,109	1,524	5,682	128,299	47,193
2016	190,011	MA - 87 ME - 11 NH - 1	279	8,597	6,915	133,048	50,950
2017	212,234	MA - 77 ME - 9 NH - 14	8,553	1,529	8,620	144,239	61,933
2018	213,734	MA - 76 ME - 9 NH - 14	8,943	394	7,619	138,327	75,793
2019	235,650	MA - 75 ME - 9 NH - 16	7,658	3,966	7,308	136,600	90,023

**Total CDD includes mixed CDD and CDD wood

source: ReEnergy Lewiston annual reports



Dear Maine Lawmaker,

The extensive dumping of toxic out-of-state waste in our State-owned landfills is threatening sites of historical, cultural, and spiritual significance for the Penobscot Nation, neighboring residents, and the Penobscot River and Bay. It must be stopped.

The State purchased Juniper Ridge Landfill (JRL) in Old Town to prevent Maine from becoming a dumping ground for out-of-state waste, but an astounding 30% of the waste being buried there is in fact from out of state. This is because of a loophole in our laws that classifies waste as “generated within the state” just by virtue of being delivered to one of Maine’s waste processing facilities on its way to JRL.

Most of the waste coming into Maine is toxic construction and demolition debris (CDD) from Massachusetts, where disposal of CDD waste has widely been banned from their landfills. Until we strengthen our laws, too, Maine will unjustly continue to be a dumping ground for other states and countries.

Please vote in support of LD 1639 to protect Maine’s people, land, air, and water by closing the loophole and stopping the practice of filling our State-owned landfills with toxic out-of-state waste.

Ann MacEachern

Acton, Maine

Comment: Please stop accepting trash from other states! Massachusetts needs to reduce and recycle their own waste.

Michael Macrum

Acton, Maine

Comment: Pretty sad state of affairs that Maine allows Massachusetts to dump waste here they won't allow dumped inside their own borders.

Ellen Tarbox

Acton, Maine

Comment: We all have to learn to deal with our own waste!

H.D. Ammerman

Addison, Maine

Patricia Harris

Albany Twp, Maine

Bonnie Pooley

Albany Twp, Maine

Paul Forman

Albion, Maine

Hugh Harwell

Albion, Maine

Lawrence Kassman

Albion, Maine

Comment: Thank you.

Hannah Bradish

Alfred, Maine

william wood

Alna, Maine

Laura Sanborn

Alton, Maine

Bob Duplessie

Andover, Maine

Martha Oleary

Andover, Maine

Comment: Please stop the out of state garbage!

George Bottesch

Anson, Maine

Alice Burns

Anson, Maine

Jaime Ela

Anson, Maine

Robin Frost

Anson, Maine

William Fiegenger

Appleton, Maine

Deborah Bassett

Arrowsic, Maine

Rosamond McLean

Arrowsic, Maine

Julie Pitt

Arundel, Maine

Comment: Maine should not be taking other state's trash. My commute regularly follows the smell of this practice, let alone the problem. The state of Maine should not be the solution to other state's trash issues. We have our own issues. We too will run out of space someday and to sell future generations space now is a horrible practice.

Andrew Alborn

Auburn, Maine

Comment: Try listening to the people, lawmakers!

Mark Barnett
Auburn, Maine

Melissa Bilodeau
Auburn, Maine

Annika Black
Auburn, Maine

Renee Cote
Auburn, Maine

Comment: Unfortunately this practice is all too similar to the proposed destruction of habitat in the western part of our state for the benefit of Massachusetts.

Carmen Haggerty
Auburn, Maine

Comment: Keep out of state Waste out of Maine!!

Janet Laird-Lagasse
Auburn, Maine

Comment: Maine cannot be made into a mega-dump for the sake of corporate profit.

Katrin Miller
Auburn, Maine

Camille Parrish
Auburn, Maine

Comment: Maine should be committed to ending dumping of solid waste from other states!!! Why are we allowing JRL cells to be exhausted so quickly thereby requiring a huge landfill expansion because we let this practice continue? Maine landfills should only be us

Emily Reese
Auburn, Maine

Alejandra Rodriguez
Auburn, Maine

Bob Sipe
Auburn, Maine

M Whittier
Auburn, Maine

Comment: Make the country properly recycle. Build a recycling plant one that turns plastic into furniture or something!

Chrissy Adamowicz
Augusta, Maine

Comment: We should stop out of state waste from coming to Maine. We are not a dumping ground!

Alex Cloutier
Augusta, Maine

Teen Ellen Griffin
Augusta, Maine
Comment: Please protect Maine!

Leisa Hodgkins
Augusta, Maine

Marie Laverdiere
Augusta, Maine

Roger Leisner
Augusta, Maine

A Delaine Nyr
Augusta, Maine

Lisa Pohlmann
Augusta, Maine

Comment: We need to stop allowing Maine to be a dumping ground -- and in places that harm our neighbors like the Penobscot Indian Nation. Pass this bill!

David Redding
Augusta, Maine

Adam Turner
Augusta, Maine

Gabriel Lindsay
Augusta, Maine

Robert Tomlins
Aurora, Maine

Comment: We have enough of our own waste, we do not need to be adding someone else's waste to it!

Grace Bartlett
Bangor, Maine

Alexander Cole
Bangor, Maine

Sarah Dennison
Bangor, Maine

Comment: I don't want Maine to be the trash dump of the Northeast. Other states should deal with their own waste. It's poisonous and gross and why would we take it? We can make money other ways, we shouldn't take trash money, we should take tourist money, and they don't go hand in hand. If we don't keep Maine clean people won't want to come here. Further, it's incredibly unjust to treat the Penobscot Nation this way, dumping on their ancestral land and poisoning the river just above their reservation so they can't fish and practice their culture. Please close the loophole and only let Maine's trash pile up in Maine, that's plenty enough.

Rachel Dobbs
Bangor, Maine

Nancy Earle

Bangor, Maine

Nathan Faessler

Bangor, Maine

Rosalyn Fisher

Bangor, Maine

Comment: Close the loophole. This is not fair.

Marsha Higgins

Bangor, Maine

Sandra Joy

Bangor, Maine

Comment: Please stop this madness. It does not make sense to bring out of state trash to Maine to pollute our environment and people who live here.

Rori Knott

Bangor, Maine

Comment: Please stop this desecration!

dave luce

Bangor, Maine

Jeff Reynolds

Bangor, Maine

Marta Robbins

Bangor, Maine

Samantha Schipani

Bangor, Maine

Paul Schneider

Bangor, Maine

Alyssa Sinclair

Bangor, Maine

Neil St. John

Bangor, Maine

Kathleen Strout

Bangor, Maine

Michelle Allvin

Bar Harbor, Maine

Mary Anghinetti

Bar Harbor, Maine

Debi Blank

Bar Harbor, Maine

Comment: This has happened before and it was nearly a disaster! Please stop this NOW

Robert Breen

Bar Harbor, Maine

Comment: Rather than use rural states like Maine as a

solution for disposing of trash the focus should be on reducing and recycling. There needs to be a greater focus on sustainable living on our fragile planet.

Heidi Burnham

Bar Harbor, Maine

Carolyn Chappell

Bar Harbor, Maine

Elizabeth Chen

Bar Harbor, Maine

Comment: In addition, international waste should also be banned, like the bales plastic waste from Ireland which were delivered by ship in Searsport and accidentally dumped in the ocean.

Lori Corbani

Bar Harbor, Maine

John Craigo

Bar Harbor, Maine

Mary Dudzik

Bar Harbor, Maine

Gary Friedmann

Bar Harbor, Maine

Cathy Gage

Bar Harbor, Maine

Tom Goettel

Bar Harbor, Maine

Bo Greene

Bar Harbor, Maine

Rennie and David Greenfield

Bar Harbor, Maine

Rebekah Heikkila

Bar Harbor, Maine

Lisa Ireland

Bar Harbor, Maine

Pete Jeffery

Bar Harbor, Maine

Sharon Knopp

Bar Harbor, Maine

Neha Kumar

Bar Harbor, Maine

Kate Macko

Bar Harbor, Maine

Susan Murphy

Bar Harbor, Maine

Kristie Rechholtz
Bar Harbor, Maine

Emma Stanley
Bar Harbor, Maine

Jill Weber
Bar Harbor, Maine
Comment: This loophole must be closed! I was appalled to learn that 100s of thousands of tons of plastic are being imported to Maine for incineration, the ash being landfilled at Juniper Ridge, and the leachate dumped into the Penobscot River! There is certainly a better way to handle waste.

Robin Wright
Bar Harbor, Maine

Peter Bastien
Bath, Maine

Laurie Beck
Bath, Maine

Kristi Belson
Bath, Maine

Brian Bennett
Bath, Maine

Michael Bennett
Bath, Maine

Charlotte Brown
Bath, Maine

Adair DeLamater
Bath, Maine
Comment: This practice makes no sense. Landfill space is limited, and every effort must be made to encourage recycling. Maine needs to plan for the future of our landfills, some of which will close within a few years. It makes NO SENSE to take up space in our landfill

Alicia Dole
Bath, Maine

Padraic Dougherty
Bath, Maine

Sandra Garson
Bath, Maine

Carrie Hayes
Bath, Maine

Sandy Hempe
Bath, Maine
Comment: We are having issues with the safe removal of our own wastes and to compound the problem by taking in wastes from others makes absolutely no sense.

Bill Howell
Bath, Maine

Donna Inglehart
BATH, Maine

Jenn Iverson
Bath, Maine

Ryan Kaake
Bath, Maine

Jason Mosher
Bath, Maine

Michael Mowat
Bath, Maine

Elia Nichols
Bath, Maine

Kimberly Nichols
Bath, Maine

Christina Otis
Bath, Maine

Charles Reece
Bath, Maine

James Riley
Bath, Maine

Roland Simard
Bath, Maine

Elizabeth Vickers
Bath, Maine

Faith Woodman
Bath, Maine
Comment: Besides filling up Maine landfills, this is a racial justice issue: the toxic waste pollutes the waters the Penobscot's rely on for drinking and fishing in violation of their rights.

Vivienne Lenk
Beaver Cove, Maine
Comment: There ought to be cradle-to-grave regulations to prevent anyone (person, corporation, company) from relieving themselves of the burden of toxic waste. People need to start educating themselves about what is being made, how it's being made, what kind of materials are used in the manufacture of it and what kind of materials are left over after manufacture and what happens to those leftovers. We have to start paying attention as this is all part of what contributes to climate events.

Lisa Abbott
Belfast, Maine

Comment: We have to protect my our environment. Why should be the state of Maine take in any other state's garbage?! We have to come up with a better plan to save the Earth!

Rosemary Baldwin
Belfast, Maine

Diane Braybrook
Belfast, Maine

Craig Butler
Belfast, Maine

Jacqueline Cassida
Belfast, Maine

Corliss Davis
Belfast, Maine

Shelby Degraff
Belfast, Maine

James Duff
Belfast, Maine

Louisa Dunlap
Belfast, Maine

Paul Finden
Belfast, Maine

Comment: we have one of, if the most beautiful states in the union,let's leave it that way...PLEASE!

Ken Fine
Belfast, Maine

Ginny Ford
Belfast, Maine

Grant Ford
Belfast, Maine

David Francis
Belfast, Maine

Heather Frey
Belfast, Maine

DAVID HALLBERT
Belfast, Maine

Jean Hardy
Belfast, Maine

conny hatch
Belfast, Maine

Sara Hayes
Belfast, Maine

Angela Hill
Belfast, Maine

Mike Hurley
Belfast, Maine

Comment: please stop the out of state dumping in Maine

Thomas King
Belfast, Maine

April Lawrence
Belfast, Maine

Sarah Lozanova
Belfast, Maine

Comment: It is important to close this loophole to protect our great state.

Heidi McFadden
Belfast, Maine

Comment: Keep maine safe and beautiful

pam mckeen
Belfast, Maine

Marianne McKinney
Belfast, Maine

Comment: Please do not allow waste from outside of Maine.

Paul Meola
Belfast, Maine

William Glenn Montgomery
Belfast, Maine

Raymelle Moody
Belfast, Maine

Christine Murphy
Belfast, Maine

Debbie Murphy
Belfast, Maine

Diane Oltarzewski
Belfast, Maine

Scotch Pankonin
Belfast, Maine

Laurie Pendleton
Belfast, Maine

Belinda Pendleton
Belfast, Maine

Comment: Out of state & Out of the country waste has no place in Maine. This is suppose to be vacationland thus we already manage plenty of 'out of state'generated trash. We need updated laws re: waste disposal & recycling.

Sandra Piechocki
Belfast, Maine

Joshua Povec
Belfast, Maine

Comment: And stop dumping the out-of-state leachate into the mighty Penobscot River! Water is life! Close the loophole!

Michael Reid
Belfast, Maine

Kathryn Robyn
Belfast, Maine

Lisa Sadler
Belfast, Maine

Melissa Samuels
Belfast, Maine

Nick Seeger
Belfast, Maine

Karen Sholes
Belfast, Maine

Cyrene Slegona
BELFAST, Maine

karin spitfire
Belfast, Maine
Comment: Please. stop this, it is polluting the rivers. the waters. the fish.

Robyn Stanicki
Belfast, Maine

Autumn Stupca
Belfast, Maine

Alexander Theriault
Belfast, Maine

Wendy Trefry
Belfast, Maine
Comment: Stop taking out of state trash. We have enough of our own!!!!

Rinda Varnum
Belfast, Maine
Comment: Please vote in support of LD 1639 to protect Maine's people, land, air, and water by closing the loophole and stopping the practice of filling our State-owned landfills with toxic out-of-state waste.

Rodney Voisine Md
Belfast, Maine

Annette Williams
Belfast, Maine

Melissa Woodrow
Belfast, Maine

Beverly Abbott-Rowe
Belgrade, Maine

Kevin Macdonald
Belgrade Lakes, Maine

Ronald McClure
Belgrade Lakes, Maine

Comment: Stop bringing in trash. The money is not worth one life.

Kathy Hayes
Belmont, Maine

Comment: Stop Filling Maine's Landfills with Out-of-State Waste Please vote to protect Maine's people, land, air, and water by closing the loophole and stopping the practice of filling our State-owned landfills with toxic out-of-state waste.

Christine Wentzel
Benton, Maine

Ellen Brouillet
Berwick, Maine

Jenny Kumar
Berwick, Maine
Comment: This is disgusting and wrong! They have a huge state! Keep it and put it on your own land!!!

Jim Riley
Berwick, Maine

Deborah Lewis
Bethel, Maine
Comment: I am horrified. Please do not accept out-of-state waste!

Seabury Lyon
Bethel, Maine
Comment: We cannot afford to increase the garbage loading of our environment and ecology!

Sarah Southam
Bethel, Maine
Comment: Please stop the dumping of toxic waste in the Juniper Ridge Landfill (and any other Maine landfills). Companies need to be able to dispose/handle the waste they produce in a responsible way and not just dump it in locations that don't have laws in place.

Jan Whitworth
Bethel, Maine

Roger Zimmerman
Bethel, Maine

Comment: This, of course, is outrageous. I'd like to know, or have you find out, how this loophole was created. What Maine politicians allowed this, encouraged it, etc. Please respond to this note so that I know someone has read this. Thanks.

Meaghan Daly
Biddeford, Maine

David Fortier
Biddeford, Maine
Comment: Trash and waste should stay local with those who create the waste.

Jeremy Lindemann
Biddeford, Maine

Tony Lynch
Biddeford, Maine

Pamela Smith
Biddeford, Maine

Zsu White
Biddeford, Maine

Leigh Noyes Escobedo
Big Lake Twp, Maine
Comment: I am born in Mainespent some childhood there, went to UMO and USM. Go to Big Lake every summer where my grandparents and parents lived. This is horrifying. The clear cutting and mill pollution were enough. Please stop it! Thank you! Leigh

Rick Alexander
Blue Hill, Maine
Comment: This situation should have never been started. Please vote to pass a bill to keep out-of-state waste out of Maine.

martin curlik
Blue Hill, Maine

semena curlik
Blue Hill, Maine

Nancye Files
Blue Hill, Maine

Valencia Libby
Blue Hill, Maine

Phillip Manion
Blue Hill, Maine
Comment: Thank you for your work in keeping out toxic out-of-state waste in our State-owned landfills.

Christopher Packard
Blue Hill, Maine

Matt Shaw
Blue Hill, Maine

Gabrielle Wellman
Blue Hill, Maine

Sarah Callan
Boothbay, Maine

Kathleen Clark
Boothbay, Maine
Comment: Keep Maine beautiful

Bonnie Ginger
Boothbay, Maine

Ronald Ross
Boothbay, Maine

Shri Verrill
Boothbay, Maine

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Boothbay, Maine

Jamie White
Boothbay, Maine

Bill Burgess
Boothbay Harbor, Maine
Comment: This is a no-brainer. Let's make Maine clean again!

Dorothy Ferrell
Boothbay Harbor, Maine
Comment: Did not know this was happening but does not seem like a good idea to accept toxic waste from out of state.

Mary Huntington
Boothbay Harbor, Maine

Barbara Brenneman
Bowdoin, Maine
Comment: Maine should not have to deal with other states waste, especially toxic waste. Waste that is banned in other states should not have to be dealt with here!

Karla Chase
Bowdoin, Maine

Jay Jones
Bowdoin, Maine
Comment: Please stopped dumping Massachusetts trash in Maine. No dumping any chemicals or Trash from any states. Lets make Maine a clean State.

Priscilla Jones
Bowdoin, Maine
Comment: Please stopped dumping Massachusetts trash in Maine. No dumping any chemicals or Trash from any states. Lets make Maine a clean State.

Linda Lee

Bowdoin, Maine

Comment: This practice is so wrong! Maine should not be a dumping ground for other States' trash. How can this be allowed? It's time our officials stand up and stop letting foreign countries and other States use Maine to solve their problems. It's time we protect this State, take care of our own problems and prevent this type of thing from happening. Close the loophole; make it illegal; save Maine!

Jared Libby

Bowdoin, Maine

Elaine Buck

Bowdoinham, Maine

Stella Crooker

Bowdoinham, Maine

Susan Drucker

Bowdoinham, Maine

Ashleigh Feeney

Bowdoinham, Maine

Logan Feeney

Bowdoinham, Maine

Ricky Laliberte

Bowdoinham, Maine

Comment: Stop filling the landfills in Maine with out of state waste, including toxins, and trash.

James OHARE

Bowdoinham, Maine

Thomas Walling

Bowdoinham, Maine

Robin Climo

Bradley, Maine

Mary Berger

Bremen, Maine

Mara Miller

Brewer, Maine

Jonathan Chappell

Bridgton, Maine

Comment: Each state should deal with its solid often toxic waste within its own borders. If we can't deal with toxic waste, toxic waste will deal with us and I'm afraid has already to some degree.

deirdre donahue

Bridgton, Maine

Comment: Outrageous! Stop this reprehensible practice!

Robert Jones

Bridgton, Maine

Evelyn Lennon

Bridgton, Maine

Robert Pelletier

Bridgton, Maine

Renee Rogers

Bridgton, Maine

Comment: Just because we have land and water doesn't mean we're anyone's dumping ground. GREED KILLS

Elizabeth Scott

Bridgton, Maine

Comment: NO OUT OF STATE DUMPING ANYWHERE IN MAINE PLEASE! CLOSE THE LOOPHOLE!

Melinda Thomas

Bridgton, Maine

Comment: It is a disgrace that Maine allows out of state dumping. Most countries around the world have stopped accepting other people's toxic waste. So now Maine has become the 'go to' for this? States should be responsible for their own toxic waste.

Lynne Gilbert

Bristol, Maine

Comment: The legal loophole that allows Juniper Ridge to accept out-of-state waste is antithetical to the legislation that allowed the State of Maine to purchase JRL in the first place. Let Massachusetts deal with its own toxic waste. Closing this loophole is a must.

Edward Hodgdon

Bristol, Maine

Comment: it's time to define 'trash' in terms of its TOTAL environmental effects. We have to think about 'where something will end up' when we initially decide to purchase an item!

Joanna Holland

Bristol, Maine

Comment: The future of our state, the earth, and the health of our decedents is dependent on reducing waste. We have enough challenges of our own without the unnecessary addition of waste 'from away!'

David Schylling

Bristol, Maine

Jody Telfair-Richards

Bristol, Maine

Mariana Tupper

Bristol, Maine

Bill Barton

Brooklin, Maine

Hendrik Gideonse

Brooklin, Maine

James Knight

Brooklin, Maine

John Macone

Brooklin, Maine

Claire Mortimer

Brooklin, Maine

Katherine Schoettle

Brooklin, Maine

Susan Snider

Brooklin, Maine

Jane Whitney

Brooklin, Maine

Comment: Maine is NOT a dumping ground for any state but Maine.

Lance Wyeth

Brooklin, Maine

Margaret Goscinski

Brooks, Maine

Amy McNeill

Brooks, Maine

Anne Ferrara

Brooksville, Maine

Jonathan Hall

Brooksville, Maine

Elizabeth Hill

Brooksville, Maine

Comment: I've been storing plastic containers in my garage until the Hampden sort facility opened, so that it wouldn't go to the JRL. Now I find that it's being filled with stuff from Massachusetts! This also threatens our aquifers. It's important to have laws that protect all of Maine's Natural Resources, and puts decisions in the hands of the voters and their reps.

Robert Knight

Brooksville, Maine

Barbara Kourajian

Brooksville, Maine

Joseph Egan

Brownfield, Maine

Comment: Please prevent the disposal of out-of-state toxic waste within Maine.

Gail Hart

Brownfield, Maine

Richard Hesslein

Brownfield, Maine

Comment: We can not be the enabler that let's others off the hook for not finding sustainable solutions and instead degrading those around them!

Jeremy Lynch

Brownfield, Maine

Kellie Wilcox

Brownfield, Maine

Winston Lumpkins

Brownville, Maine

Comment: Just plain wrong.

Margaret Lumpkins

Brownville, Maine

Jeffrey MacDonald

Brownville, Maine

Donna Bann

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: Maine's environment needs to be protected both for our tourism economy and for the well-being of it's citizens. We don't need to be the dumping ground for other states. Please pass LD1639.

Jean Bass

Brunswick, Maine

Nancy Bliss

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: There is no question in my mind, we definitely need to close any loopholes in order to prevent further contamination and harm to our environment. Nancy Bliss

Rebecca Francis

Brunswick, Maine

Marcia Harrington

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: We say that 'Maine is the Way Life Should Be.' That is only true if we preserve our clean waters, airs and land. Please don't let private firms ruin these precious attributes that our state possesses.

Michael Silvia

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: I support LD1639. Close the loophole

Cade Blackburn

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Comment: Close t

Carolyn Bryant

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: Maine has enough trash of its own! Close the loophole and stop the dumping of out-of-state waste.

Elizabeth Bullock

Brunswick, Maine

Bruce Burnham

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: Disgusting!

Jimmy Courbron

Brunswick, Maine

Sarah Cucinelli

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: Ugh! I think people in our own state could work harder to lessen trash and recycle better. Now other states are getting to dump toxic waste here? That's frightening!

Christopher Dauphin

Brunswick, Maine

Pete Didisheim

Brunswick, Maine

Susan Digregorio

Brunswick, Maine

Richard Digregorio

Brunswick, Maine

Timea Farkas

Brunswick, Maine

Averil Fessenden

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: End dumping of toxic out-of-state waste in Juniper Ridge landfill. This is dangerous and thus unfair for people who live close by and for the Penobscot Nation. Vote to support LD 1639.

Neil Gallagher

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: It is a disgrace that this is allowed. Let other states deal with their own waste products.

Sarah Greene

Brunswick, Maine

Joanne Hardy

Brunswick, Maine

Sarah Harvey

Brunswick, Maine

Rebecca Hedgpeth

Brunswick, Maine

Lauren Hendrickson

Brunswick, Maine

Sandra Hodge

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: As a State Maine is struggling to manage it's waste in an environmentally sound manner. It does not make sense for Maine to make that struggle much more difficult by accepting out of State garbage. Legislation is necessary to correct this situation.

Baris Izgordu

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: Please do not ruin one of the last beauties of our pale blue dot by filling toxic waste, especially from other parts of the world, whether originated from domestic or abroad...

Judi Jones

Brunswick, Maine

Ruth Kampen

Brunswick, Maine

William King II

Brunswick, Maine

Diane Knoop

Brunswick, Maine

Priscilla Laskey

Brunswick, Maine

Rebecca Low

Brunswick, Maine

Robert Marshall

Brunswick, Maine

William McCullough

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: The idea of bringing any out of state waste to Maine is just absurd. Maine is not a dumping ground for other states who are too lazy to seek solutions in their own states.

Sharon McHold

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: don't create problems for Maine health for people and wildlife.

John McKee

Brunswick, Maine

Colleen McKenna

Brunswick, Maine

Suzanne McLain

Brunswick, Maine

Esther Mechler

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: Let's address the issue.

Richard Ness

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: Respecting the environment and Native American values should be part of Maine Values.

Bronda Niese

Brunswick, Maine

Kathleen O'Connor

Brunswick, Maine

Sonni Peterman

Brunswick, Maine

Elizabeth Pierson

Brunswick, Maine

Alexandra Plante

Brunswick, Maine

Anne Rankin

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: This seems like a no-brainer; I cannot fathom why anyone would not support this bill.

Ellen Rice

Brunswick, Maine

Louise Rosen

Brunswick, Maine

Susan Russell

Brunswick, Maine

Sam Saltonstall

Brunswick, Maine

Ronald Savitt

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: The practice especially the loophole needs to be brought to an end quickly. Greater attention to the drafting of laws and regulations is required with the legislature always asking 'what if?'

Robin Schmidt

Brunswick, Maine

Marcia Sewall

Brunswick, Maine

Abbie Sewall

Brunswick, Maine

Joel Siano

Brunswick, Maine

Peter Simmons

Brunswick, Maine

Christine Simonson

Brunswick, Maine

Sebastian Small

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: We have enough of our own garbage

Naomi Small

Brunswick, Maine

Naomi Small

Brunswick, Maine

Gordon Smith

Brunswick, Maine

Craig Snapp

Brunswick, Maine

Sue Stableford

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: This needs to be part of our efforts to address climate change. We cannot continue to accept toxic waste from other states and manage our trash and environmental problems.

Emily Swan

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: This travesty must end!

Mary Turner

Brunswick, Maine

Comment: Please protect our Maine land and waters by prohibiting water from out of state consumers.

Zoe Uhr

Brunswick, Maine

Leslie Vrabel

Brunswick, Maine

Jeffrey Walker

Brunswick, Maine

Susan Weems

Brunswick, Maine

Stephen Wood

Brunswick, Maine

Linda Woodbury

Brunswick, Maine

Emily Ecker

Bryant Pond, Maine

Comment: This is an outrageous loop hole and must be closed asap.

Dianne Jones
Buckfield, Maine

Rosalind Ivens
Bucksport, Maine

Emma Richter
Bucksport, Maine

Angela Swainson
Bucksport, Maine

David Tracy
Bucksport, Maine

Denise Westover
Bucksport, Maine
Comment: Stop it!

Walker Westover
Bucksport, Maine

Cynthia Lozier
Buxton, Maine

Crystal O'Brien
Buxton, Maine

Glenn Vaillancourt
Buxton, Maine

Judy Welch
Buxton, Maine

Wendy Andresen
Camden, Maine

Georganne Bendall
Camden, Maine

Elinor Donovan
Camden, Maine

Deborah Endl
Camden, Maine

Everett Griffiths
Camden, Maine
Comment: If we can't dispose of something in a responsible, sustainable manner, then perhaps we shouldn't be making that thing.

Ann Harris
Camden, Maine
Comment: This is sheer lunacy. Please close this loophole and protect this glorious place we all love so well. The beauty, wholeness, and healthiness of Maine's landscapes are among the state's greatest treasures. Please cherish and protect them so that our children and children's children down through the generations may enjoy them as we do!

Polly Jones
Camden, Maine

Tracy Lord
Camden, Maine

Comment: Who are the legislators responsible for continuing this institutionalized subjugation of Maine's true natives and the environmental murder of those of us who followed? They must be held accountable if still in 'power' and if not: their names should be made public and those in the legislature now be held to reversing this heinous, and idiotic loophole. I am flabbergasted by the racism, stupidity and greed and ignorance of this practice.

Danielle Maguire
Camden, Maine

Eleanor Masin Peters
Camden, Maine

Samantha Mortlock
Camden, Maine

Patricia O'Toole
Camden, Maine
Comment: Please put an end to the out-of-state dumping of waste in Maine. Our natural beauty is our crown jewel. We would be shortsighted to sully it in any way. Thanks.

BARB OHLAND
Camden, Maine

Beedy Parker
Camden, Maine
Comment: Landfills always leak and pollute eventually, We have not yet learned to reduce and regulate our own waste stream, and we should not be facilitating the unsafe burial of out of state waste on Maine's land, and polluting our own waters.

Jane Powell
Camden, Maine

Comment: We are not a dumping ground state. Think of your children's grandchildren! We do not want to leave them a dump. Do the right thing!

Petra Remsen
Camden, Maine

Comment: Keep toxic waste out of Maine!

Michael Remsen
Camden, Maine

Sarah Rheault
Camden, Maine

Stephanie Smith
Camden, Maine

David Wadstrup

Camden, Maine

Celena Zacchai

Camden, Maine

Patricia Armstrong

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Comment: It breaks my heart to see this in our beautiful state of Maine where the people take great pride in their state.

Anna Bacon

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Sharon Balzer

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Mark Braun

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Sarah Crawford

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Brian Dietz

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Maria Gallace

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Meredith Hall

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Roy Herrmann

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Comment: Thanks, MA and NH, but you can keep your waste.

Laura Libby

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Pete Marston

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Jonathan Mortimer

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

June O'Neill

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Tony Owens

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Patricia Salve Bothel

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Comment: We are working desperately to lower the amount of waste created within Maine. Please don't allow out-of-state waste to take its place.

Julia Bassett Schwerin

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Jeremy Spiegel

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Comment: Are you kidding me? It's irresponsible to accept out of state trash. Thank you.

Nancy Witwicki

Cape Elizabeth, Maine

Elizabeth Topham

Cape Neddick, Maine

Elissa Garde/Joia

Caratunk, Maine

Marina Melo de Miranda

Caribou, Maine

Andrea O'Neill-Knarr

Carmel, Maine

Comment: What a sad situation that we are embracing other states trash...please stop this and give Mainers the dignity they deserve. Thank you.

bruce albiston

Carrabassett Valley, Maine

Margaret Bishop

Carrabassett Valley, Maine

Erin Berube

Casco, Maine

Stella Shimko

Casco, Maine

Janice Folk

Castine, Maine

Robert Morrison

Charleston, Maine

Victoria Ziemer

Charleston, Maine

Judith Reed

Cheksea, Maine

Brenda Corkum

Chelsea, Maine

Wayne Kostiw

Chelsea, Maine

Steven Nolin

Chesterville, Maine

Karen-Jo Young

Corea, Maine

BRUCE BIERCE

Cornish, Maine

Theodore Lakeman

Cumberland, Maine

Linda Draper

Cumberland Center, Maine

Dianna Kilgallen

Cumberland Center, Maine

Maryann Larson

Cumberland Center, Maine

Nancy Read

Cumberland Center, Maine

Sandra Robinson

Cumberland Center, Maine

Robert Timberlake

Cumberland Center, Maine

Comment: Please prevent the dumping of toxic and all out-of-state waste in Maine. Help preserve our land for future generations!

Donna Walter

Cumberland Center, Maine

Comment: Stop out of state hauling of trash into Maine!

Will Bryant

Cumberland Center, Maine

Ethan Carr

Cumberland Center, Maine

John Riolo

Cumberland Center, Maine

Austin Roy

Cumberland Center, Maine

Comment: We don't want someone else's shit in our beautiful state!!

Elizabeth Berle

Cumberland Foreside, Maine

Comment: This is horrifying and we need to be smarter about how we handle our resources. Close this loophole!

Sharon Collin

Cumberland Foreside, Maine

Stephen Heinz

Cumberland Foreside, Maine

Comment: The last thing Maine needs is more waste. Please plug the loophole that allows other states to dispose of their waste materials in Maine.

Anthony Mattei

Cumberland Foreside, Maine

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Cumberland Foreside, Maine

Karin Merchant

Cumberland Foreside, Maine

Sarah Nichols

Cumberland Foreside, Maine

Melissa E. Gates

Cushing, Maine

Stephen Heddericg

Cushing, Maine

Geoff Lewis

Cushing, Maine

Kristi Niedermann

Cushing, Maine

Mikal Crawford

Damariscotta, Maine

Meghan Gray

Damariscotta, Maine

Kathryn Hyttel

Damariscotta, Maine

Lewis Prycl

Damariscotta, Maine

Comment: Out of state trash should stay out of state!

Sharon Martel

Dayton, Maine

ROBIN OCONNOR

Dedham, Maine

Jacqueline Davidson

Deer Isle, Maine

Julie Eaton

Deer Isle, Maine

Judith O'Callaghan

Deer Isle, Maine

Joan Sorensen

Deer Isle, Maine

Anne Wilson

Deer Isle, Maine

Cyn Lokken

Denmark, Maine

Bonnie Marsh

Denmark, Maine

Comment: Stop! the waste!

Tracy sommers

Diamond Cove, Maine

Jody Richmond
Dover Foxcroft, Maine

Susan Stevens
Dover Foxcroft, Maine

Steve Eagles
Dresden, Maine

Tammy Houdlette
Dresden, Maine

David Hendrix
Durham, Maine

Lois Kilby-Chesley
Durham, Maine

George Samiljan
Durham, Maine
Comment: Dealing responsibly with our own trash is hard enough; let's not compound the issues by accepting toxic waste from other states, please!

Elizabeth Pingree
East Machias, Maine
Comment: Agreements to dump trash in other states, or countries, has to be stopped. We need a safe solution to our trash problem.

Nick Divirgilio
East Millinocket, Maine
Comment: The dumping of trash from out of state into Maine should be criminalized.

Kirk Fernald
East Millinocket, Maine

Kenneth McNally
East Waterboro, Main:

Robert Godfrey
Eastport, Maine

Lois Grossman
Eastport, Maine

Joshua Parda
Eddington, Maine

ian leavesley
Eliot, Maine
Comment: This is unbelievably bad

Anne Bryan
Ellsworth, Maine

Martha Dickinson
Ellsworth, Maine

Mary Doherty
Ellsworth, Maine

Marc Dornheim
Ellsworth, Maine

Comment: The people of Maine cannot continue to be burdened with the waste of others. We also need to stop our water from being syphoned away from our ground to hydrate the other 50 states!

Christa Little-Siebold
Ellsworth, Maine

Laura Macdonald
Ellsworth, Maine

Susan B. Opdycke
Ellsworth, Maine

Craig Terrell
Ellsworth, Maine
Comment: Make better use of Plastics that we generate and stop taking in out of State Plastics. Penobscot depend on this as a source of sustenance gathering for fish and wildlife. This problem needs to be solved as a pandemic can so can wastes.

Mark Whiting
Ellsworth, Maine
Comment: We have enough problems handling our own waste and protecting our own state and environment. We do not need to import other people's waste. Stop the madness.

David A. Woolsey
Ellsworth, Maine

Ruth Provost
Exeter, Maine

Laura Sholtz
Exeter, Maine

Dawn DiBlasi
Fairfield, Maine
Comment: I've known about this for years yet wondered how they were getting away with it. I know Casella is an out of state company trucking waste here from MA Why? We do not want trash from other states..stop this!

Edward Griffith
Fairfield, Maine

Gale Harvey
Fairfield, Maine

Steven Meyerhans
Fairfield, Maine
Comment: Every day dozens of trucks with Massachusetts license plates rumble past my house on their way to the Norridgewock landfill, right on the banks of the once pristine

Kennebec River. Why are we sacrificing our environment for a few bucks, chopping up our forests for Massachusetts electricity demands, giving away our precious groundwater for bottled water sent out of state?

Kait O'Brien

Fairfield, Maine

Kathryn Raymond

Fairfield, Maine

Pol Wheelock

Fairfield, Maine

Comment: Adjacent & nearby states want us to deliver electricity to them from Canada while they deliver thousands of tons of waste to our landfills. This is hardly a fair trade.

Maine is not a dumping ground for others, nor is it responsible to furnish the power to them in order to generate more waste. The Maine legislature should stop this madness now by endorsing LD 1639. Please vote in support of LD 1639 to protect Maine's people, land, air, and water by closing the loophole and stopping the practice of filling our State-owned landfills with toxic out-of-state waste. Pol Wheelock
Fairfield, Maine

Edward Asherman

Falmouth, Maine

Catherine Chamberlain

Falmouth, Maine

Comment: Landfills are called that for a reason. They fill the land with waste. It is far too easy to just throw it away. Where is away?

Jennifer Cummings

Falmouth, Maine

Comment: Please! Don't let other states dump their waste here! Once people have to take care of their own refuse they tend to pay closer attention to how much they actually produce. Maybe everyone should have to keep all their own waste on their own property instead of having it taken out of sight (out of mind).

Jacqueline Curley

Falmouth, Maine

Jill Cyr

Falmouth, Maine

Ilona Davis

Falmouth, Maine

Aaron Dries

Falmouth, Maine

Frederick Farquhar

Falmouth, Maine

Comment: The absurdity of the loophole defies logic. We

should not be New England's trash can. End out-of-state dumping now and forever.

Susan Gilpin

Falmouth, Maine

Comment: Driving up the Turnpike, I often wonder if the grimy, unidentified trucks barreling ahead of me are headed for the landfill in Old Town. It is time Maine stopped accepting toxic waste from other states. Please vote to stop this practice. It is not worth it. Thank you, again, for protecting our environment.

Virginia Hughes

Falmouth, Maine

Pat Ianni

Falmouth, Maine

Comment: Not only should we be encouraging all Maine residents to reduce the amount of wastes we all generate and thus reduce our overall footprint, we should certainly stop accepting waste generated from outside our state and thus, hopefully pressure on all people to strive to decrease their waste generation. Please support the passage of LD 1639. Thank you, Pat Ianni

Karen Jacobsen

Falmouth, Maine

Heather Kelly

Falmouth, Maine

Peter LaFond

Falmouth, Maine

donna lawlor

Falmouth, Maine

Lesley Macvane

Falmouth, Maine

Comment: Helping our neighbors out should not include helping them get rid of toxic waste that they will not allow in their own State. This has to stop. Now!

Pam Strayer

Falmouth, Maine

Lisa Vicens

Falmouth, Maine

Matthew Whalen

Falmouth, Maine

Dianne Wilkins

Falmouth, Maine

Comment: Our groundwater drinking supply, lakes, rivers, the ocean and the air in Maine should be protected by not producing any more landfills. It is obvious that this horrific oversight/loophole needs to be closed ASAP. The state should not allow anyone to profit from taking in and filling up our

landfills with other State's landfill waste. Unfortunately we already have enough of our own waste so additionally, Maine manufactures who produce this product packaging or other waste should be regulated to take complete responsibility for their choice of producing toxic waste/packaging or be required to make 100% biodegradable packaging.

Patrick Will

Falmouth, Maine

Comment: Please close this loophole and stop allowing out of state waste to be dumped in Maine! We have enough of our own to take care of, we don't need any from other states!! Thanks!

John Cote

Farmingdale, Maine

Amanda Beane

Farmington, Maine

Emery Goff

Farmington, Maine

Comment: We certainly do not need out-of-state trash-we have more than enough of our own!!

Wendy Huish

Farmington, Maine

Comment: Absolutely, dumping of toxic out-of-state waste must be stopped, permanently! This deserves immediate action by our Maine State Government, please.

Lucas Kellett

Farmington, Maine

Arleen Masselli

Farmington, Maine

Sandra Stanton

Farmington, Maine

Ellen Hopkins

Farmington Falls, Maine

Fred Jackman

Fayette, Maine

Satya Kaur Khalsa

Franklin, Maine

Comment: Let's take the lead and show the world that there is an alternative to landfills.

Rachel Singh

Franklin, Maine

Medea Steinman

Franklin, Maine

Comment: We must strengthen our laws and stop making it possible for other states to sneak their waste in via these loopholes. If a State cannot properly dispose of the waste it

produces, we can't let them turn their problems into our problems. Even if we get paid for it. This is not a healthy or ethical way to generate revenue in our beautiful State.

Thomas Carter

Freedom, Maine

Comment: Close the loophole!

Linda Dartt

Freedom, Maine

Margaret FitzGerald

Freedom, Maine

leopold laufer

Freedom, Maine

James Szymkowiak

Freedom, Maine

Rhoda Waller

Freedom, Maine

Comment: This situation is completely unacceptable. Please correct the loophole as soon as possible. Thank you.

Jennifer Adamo

Freeport, Maine

Jesse Adamo

Freeport, Maine

Lucy Birkett

Freeport, Maine

Comment: The loophole that allowed waste to be imported and dumped, affecting communities, tribal communities, a river, waterways -- should never have happened and needs to be closed. All of us, all states, have a responsibility to reduce waste they/we are creating. We can do it and they can do it. It's about the will. We should not be taking on any other state's problem of deferred responsibility, and/or passing along poisoned, ruined water and soil to future generations.

Carolyn Buehner

Freeport, Maine

Elizabeth Carleton

Freeport, Maine

Matt Cheney

Freeport, Maine

Comment: Please stop polluting our state with out of state trash!

James Chute

Freeport, Maine

Susan Finnegan

Freeport, Maine

Ralph Harding
Freeport, Maine

Russell Martin
Freeport, Maine
Comment: Close the loophole

Melissa Mills
Freeport, Maine

Michael Perry
Freeport, Maine
Comment: Close this dangerous and unhealthy loophole now!
This is disgraceful. Why has Janet Mills not been vocal about this? And as usual it is/has been the native people that profit seekers exploit once again. Thank you NRCM for being on top of this!

Georgana Prudhomme
Freeport, Maine

Simone Rodgers
Freeport, Maine
Comment: Enough

Stephen Rosenfeld
Freeport, Maine

Kate Rosenfeld
Freeport, Maine

N David Semon
Freeport, Maine

Cynthia Steinharter
Freeport, Maine

Randall Thomas
Freeport, Maine
Comment: Stop this!

Caroline Thorne-Lyman
Freeport, Maine

Katie Toro-Ferrari
Freeport, Maine

Winslow S Pillsbury & Leslie Welcome-Pillsbury
Freeport, Maine

Lucinda White
Freeport, Maine

Mary Zamarripa
Freeport, Maine

Susan Alexander
Friendship, Maine

Richard Nelson
Friendship, Maine

Elizabeth Boepple
Fryeburg, Maine
Comment: What's with Massachusetts? First shipping their toxic construction waste to us, then building the NECEC, an extension cord from Hydro Quebec through our northwestern woods to deliver electricity to MA. Time to stop the exploitation of Maine.

Elizabeth Cuprak
Gardiner, Maine

Levi Hahn
Gardiner, Maine

Jane Mackey
Gardiner, Maine

Charil Mairs
Gardiner, Maine

Alice Bunn
Garland, Maine

Sarah Armstrong
Georgetown, Maine
Comment: Please protect the bit of pristine land we have left in Maine.

Lindsey McMahan Acker
Georgetown, Maine

Bronwyn Morissette
Georgetown, Maine

Angela Gould
Glenburn, Maine

Patricia Lad
Glenburn, Maine

Nancy Agan
Gorham, Maine
Comment: Please stop this out of state dumping.

Keith Cook
Gorham, Maine
Comment: Maine is too beautiful to be used as a trash dump. Let's be an example for the best not a shortcoming for the least.

Fuller Crowley
Gorham, Maine
Comment: When I moved back to Maine 3 years ago, I still had an image of the state as environmentally responsible, home to independent thinkers, and filled with the fragrant, pine needled forest floors that I remembered from my childhood family vacations. Something awful has happened to this lovely state while I was away, and now I learn about this. The abuse and neglect of Maine's environment has to stop

somewhere! Shame on our legislators for allowing such a thing to happen. There are many other--and healthier--ways to make money. Please add my voice to this important campaign. Thank you.

Karen Curtis

Gorham, Maine

Richard Curtis

Gorham, Maine

Michael Johnson

Gorham, Maine

Robert Marsh

Gorham, Maine

Comment: Why on earth has this even been allowed to have happened up to Now? I can imagine that most people probably say 'This is a made up story everything is recycled in today's day and age.' Stop this now, it never should have ever been allowed to happen up to now. Stop it Now!

Michael Parker

Gorham, Maine

Comment: This is an outrageous abuse of State of Maine land, not far removed from the electrical conduit passing through the state for distribution of Green hydropower in Mass of no use to Mainers. Turn the trash trucks back.

Thomas Patterson

Gorham, Maine

Comment: I think it is ludicrous that we allow out of state trash to be dumped in Maine

Tia Simon

Gorham, Maine

Comment: Reduce & recycle can save 50% of all waste produced BEFORE it becomes our problem. Stop making waste and require local management of what is produced

Denise Smith

Gorham, Maine

Joseph Staples

Gorham, Maine

Comment: It long past the time when all communities should find sustainable solutions for their own waste. Tax payers and tourists do not spend billions in this state to experience the trash of other New England states, they live and visit Maine to experience abundant wildlife, magical vistas overlooking forested mountains & lakes, and a one of a kind rugged coastline. Please vote in support of LD 1639 and protect Maine's people, land, air, water, and nature-based economy by closing the loophole and stopping the practice of filling our State-owned landfills with toxic out-of-state waste.

Kris Ede

Gouldsboro, Maine

Stephen Arlaud

Gray, Maine

Katie Flavin

Gray, Maine

Laurie Keller

Gray, Maine

Josh Morris

Gray, Maine

Comment: Allowing Mass. to use our land for their power and use our land for their garbage? What other abuses of Maine's natural resources aren't common knowledge or are up for sale? No amount of money should allow this to happen.

Anneliese Schultz

Gray, Maine

Lance Vigue

Gray, Maine

Heather Winslow

Gray, Maine

Susan Allison

Greene, Maine

Andre LeBlanc

Greene, Maine

John Neal

Greene, Maine

Kathleen Bishop

Greenville, Maine

Anthony Pike

Greenville, Maine

Comment: This is plain wrong and must be stopped.

Wendy Weiger

Greenville Junction, Maine

Michael Hudak

Hallowell, Maine

Mary Kane

Hallowell, Maine

Comment: This is a terrible practice that you have the power to stop. Please do it for all current & future Maine people. Thank you, Mary

Kelly Kennedy Yokoyama

Hallowell, Maine

Nancy Murray

Hallowell, Maine

Tonda K Sherman

Hallowell, Maine

Emmie Theberge
Hallowell, Maine

Karen Wing
Hallowell, Maine
Comment: Stop!

Jean Adamson
Hampden, Maine
Comment: We cannot let Maine become a dumping ground for other states and allow toxins to inequitably affect our tribes and other vulnerable citizens. Please protect our lands and waters from toxic wastes!

Arthur Benson
Hampden, Maine

Comment: we have a hard enough time dealing with trash generated in Maine, we do not need any from out of state.

Janelle Jundt
Hampden, Maine

Lindsae Lasko
Hampden, Maine

Carrie Levesque
Hampden, Maine

Dorothy Lippincott
Hampden, Maine
Comment: It's crazy that we haven't closed this loophole in our Maine laws and that we have allowed ourselves to become a toxic dumping ground for the rest of the world. We must wake up and stop needlessly using up space in our landfills for out-of-state waste.

Pamela Tremblay
Hampden, Maine

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Susan White
Hampden, Maine

Antonio Blasi
Hancock, Maine

Irv Robinson
Hanover, Maine

David Zachow
Harborside, Maine

Liz Cheever
Harpwell, Maine
Comment: As a country we have to become responsible for our own trash. Educate folks, build systems that don't generate garbage. Foreign countries should not take our trash, neither should neighbor states.

Hannah Dring
Harpwell, Maine

Cheryl Golek
Harpwell, Maine

harriette griffin
Harpwell, Maine

Paul Kane
Harpwell, Maine

Prescott McCurdy
Harpwell, Maine
Comment: it's about the money isn't it.

Douglas Nielsen
Harpwell, Maine
Comment: Bette this effort should lift up or be paired with the effort to reduce the very waste we don't want in our state.

Robert Porter
Harpwell, Maine

Emily Roth
Harpwell, Maine

melinda small
Harpwell, Maine

William Turner
Harrison, Maine
Comment: please keep other states demolition waste out of MAINE landfills!

Lily Turner
Harrison, Maine

Joyce Young
Harrison, Maine
Comment: heck no keep your trash.. leave Maine beautiful

Vicki Householder
Hartland, Maine
Comment: This is so wrong dumping garbage so close to people's homes.

Kelly McDonough
Hartland, Maine
Comment: I live a few miles away from the landfill in Hartland. ME and just learned of this landfill with out if state sludge. I might not have moved here if I had known about it before hand. I would hate to see the beautiful state if Maine contaminated by greed for \$\$.

Dan McDonough
Hartland, Maine

Penelope Andrews
Hermon, Maine

Theresa Rankis
Hermon, Maine

Diane Fitzgerald
Hiram, Maine

Ann Pedreschi
Holden, Maine

Nancy Roberts
Holden, Maine

Jeffrey Tague
Holden, Maine

Doris Luther
Hollis Center, Maine

Richard McGonagle
Hollis Center, Maine
Comment: What?!?! How the hell did this get okayed? Whose pockets got lined for this deal?

Cynthia Strout
Hollis Center, Maine
Comment: LD 1639 must pass. Obviously, Maine has enough solid waste to deal with and should Never be accepting waste form outside of Maine.

Eleanor Lacombe
Hope, Maine

Mark Davis
Houlton, Maine

Shonna Davis
Houlton, Maine

Kathryn Harnish
Houlton, Maine

Bruce Watt
Hudson, Maine

Janice Strout
Hulls Cove, Maine

BARRY SMITH
Island Falls, Maine
Comment: Surprise me. Do something for our environment. Is this really what we want to leave our children, grandchildren, and forever? This should be so easy. What kind of score are you going to get on your 'test paper'?

Sharen Wilson
Isle au Haut, Maine
Comment: We lived Old Town for years, now spend the winter there. I have been shocked about the garbage pile

growing...this is not what was promised by the City and state government years ago.

nancy Hoffmann
Islesboro, Maine

Tom Tutor
Islesboro, Maine

Robert Weigelt
Jackman, Maine
Comment: Please put a stop to this outrageous practice.

Janice Anthony
Jackson, Maine

Jayne Costa
Jay, Maine

Andrew Allen
Jefferson, Maine

Helena Benton
Jefferson, Maine

Logan Higger
Jefferson, Maine
Comment: Residents of Massachusetts must be accountable for execution of the laws they pass without the exploitation of Native people, current Maine inhabitants or the land. Maine is not a dumping ground.

Carol Howell
Jefferson, Maine
Comment: Trash and recycling issues probably won't ever be resolved until there is both state and local accountability.

Katherine Wilbur
Jefferson, Maine

John Burke
Jonesport, Maine
Comment: Stop importing 'garbage' from other states, to be put in landfills in Maine ! Thank you

Dona Cuppett
Jonesport, Maine
Comment: Continue Maine's environmental conscience. Enforce the law's intent. Close this loophole!

Lisa Marin
Jonesport, Maine
Comment: This dumping is out of control and threatens our entire ecosystem and economy in Maine. We are ruining our State's natural resources for generations to come.

Lisa Noreen
Jonesport, Maine

Margaret Bartenhagen

Kennebunk, Maine

Comment: This is unacceptable! Maine itself generates TOO MUCH TRASH overall ~ and we most certainly don't need or want additional tons of it from out-of-state. This must stop.

Paul Beach

Kennebunk, Maine

Jennifer Braddick

Kennebunk, Maine

Tammy C

Kennebunk, Maine

Grace Cain

Kennebunk, Maine

Catherine Clark

Kennebunk, Maine

GORDON COLLINS

Kennebunk, Maine

Christopher Deveau

Kennebunk, Maine

Montress Kenniston

Kennebunk, Maine

Comment: Please vote yes on LD 1639. I hope this legislation covers all landfills and not just State owned ones.

Erik Pietsch

Kennebunk, Maine

Tina Radel

Kennebunk, Maine

Mary Smith

Kennebunk, Maine

Ruth Stackpole

Kennebunk, Maine

Joan Wuerthner

Kennebunk, Maine

Comment: Strengthen our laws! Why are we accepting out-of-state trash? I support LD1639, and urge our law makers to act on this. Joan Wuerthner

Bob Wuerthner

Kennebunk, Maine

Virginia Almeder

Kennebunkport, Maine

Comment: I support LD1639. Please stop bringing in out-of-state waste. It is fouling our land.

Jennifer Armstrong

Kennebunkport, Maine

Bruce Bartley

Kennebunkport, Maine

Comment: Stop the out of state dumping period.

Harvey Flashen

Kennebunkport, Maine

Karen MacGregor

Kennebunkport, Maine

Comment: Please close this loophole. Mainer's love their state and work hard to keep it clean and safe. There is no way the general population knows this, certainly it's been kept a secret. Stop this now!

Cooper Nunan

Kennebunkport, Maine

Jennifer Raymond

Kennebunkport, Maine

Gail Roller

Kennebunkport, Maine

Linda Woodard

Kennebunkport, Maine

Susan Davis

Kingfield, Maine

Comment: End this immediately!

Harold Eames

Kingfield, Maine

Comment: Maine should not allow any out of state trash into our state period!

Todd Towle

Kingfield, Maine

Charles Woodworth

Kingfield, Maine

Shaun Dillon

Kittery, Maine

Comment: Dear Maine Lawmaker, The extensive dumping of toxic out-of-state waste in our State-owned landfills is threatening sites of historical, cultural, and spiritual significance for the Penobscot Nation, neighboring residents, and the Penobscot River and Bay.

Emily Hennessy

Kittery, Maine

John Higgins

Kittery, Maine

Comment: I have previously written to my representative and state Senator about this issue and have yet to get any traction. I fully support LD 1639 if that will stop others from polluting our state.

Lois Higgins

Kittery, Maine

Comment: Stop the loophole that allows Maine to be used as a dumping ground for other states!

Deborah Higgins

Kittery, Maine

Comment: Living in Kittery, we see trucks coming into the State of Maine daily over the Piscataqua River bridge with waste and sludge. Some of the debris, seeping out onto our highways as they travel up the state to the dumping site. Please stop others from polluting our beautiful state!

Mikel Higgins

Kittery, Maine

Barbara Murphy

Kittery, Maine

Betty Olivolo

Kittery, Maine

Diane Tobey

Kittery, Maine

Comment: Please don't allow this toxic waste to come into our beautiful state.

Alice White

Kittery, Maine

Cynthia Grimm

Kittery Point, Maine

Lynn Ahlblad

Lamoine, Maine

Larry Libby

Lamoine, Maine

Amber Brackett

Leeds, Maine

Ron Barry

Lewiston, Maine

Peggy Beck

Lewiston, Maine

Mindy Cote

Lewiston, Maine

Anne Hunter

Lewiston, Maine

David Leroy

Lewiston, Maine

Comment: Maine should NOT accept any waste of any kind from any other state!

Andy McCrum

Lewiston, Maine

Ivy Moser

Lewiston, Maine

Comment: Please vote in support of LD 1639--we do not want out of state toxic waste dumped here in Maine!

Helen Price-Wharff

Lewiston, Maine

Edward Walworth MD

Lewiston, Maine

Shannon White

Lewiston, Maine

Michael Cressey

Liberty, Maine

Dick Jarrett

Limington, Maine

Tammy Genest

Lincoln, Maine

Comment: Stop out of state dumping.

Cathy Moison

Lincoln, Maine

Comment: each state should take care of their own waste

Jade Armstrong

LincolNville, Maine

Emily Berry

LincolNville, Maine

Judith Cookson

LincolNville, Maine

David Davison

LincolNville, Maine

Kim Dunn

LincolNville, Maine

Comment: Save our beautiful state. Stop allowing out of state trash to end up here. Please close the loophole that is poisoning Maine!

Ann Frenning Kossuth

LincolNville, Maine

Stacey Glassman

LincolNville, Maine

Gary Gulezian

LincolNville, Maine

Comment: The legislature needs to take action to close the construction waste loophole at JRL. Maine should not be the dumping ground for other states' banned waste. Enact LD 1639.

greta zorn gulezian

LincolNville, Maine

Comment: Close the loophole which allows TOXIC WASTE and other trash to be dumped in our State of Maine, letting a private company profit by polluting our State. Outrageous. STOP TOXIC WASTE DUMPING NOW.

Jane Hardy

Lincolnville, Maine

Susan McGovern

Lincolnville, Maine

Maureen OKeefe

Lincolnville, Maine

Christopher Osgood

Lincolnville, Maine

Tamara Seidman

Lincolnville, Maine

Steven Seidman

Lincolnville, Maine

Comment: Stop the dumping from Massachusetts. Close the loophole!

Susan Silverio

Lincolnville, Maine

Angie Reed

Linneus, Maine

Robin Reagan

Lisbon, Maine

Gail Farr

Lisbon Falls, Maine

Gifford Jenkins-Davis

Lisbon Falls, Maine

Jay Labbe

Lisbon Falls, Maine

Kyle McCaskill

Lisbon Falls, Maine

Diane Clay

Litchfield, Maine

Christine Parker

Litchfield, Maine

Thomas van Buren

Little Deer Isle, Maine

Doug Wilson

Little Deer Isle, Maine

Sharri Venno

Littleton, Maine

Cindy Langewisch

Livermore Falls, Maine

Comment: This is so disturbing and should be stopped. Massachusetts needs to deal with its own waste in MA, not in ME.

Bruce Davis

Lovell, Maine

Bruce Taylor

Lovell, Maine

Comment: Maine has more trash that we can efficiently and safely handle. It is dangerous and stupid to take out of state trash.

Judee Reel

Lubec, Maine

Comment: All of this is so unnecessary. We need to get back to making less garbage, to using truly recyclable materials (e.g., glass), and making producers be responsible for the disposal of their materials. And there are good non-toxic building materials. Why aren't we choosing these responsible materials?

June Romeo

Lubec, Maine

cherris sincyr

Madison, Maine

Cathleen Staehli

Madison, Maine

James Cumming

Manchester, Maine

Daisy Dore

Manchester, Maine

Elizabeth Pollock

Manchester, Maine

Comment: This is an insult to the integrity of Maine people and land.

Christiaan Beeuwkes

Mercer, Maine

Comment: Unfortunately the State with the weakest anti pollution laws becomes the landfill for its neighbors. Do we want Maine to be that State.. ? There are better ways to earn a living than flooding our beautiful State with potentially toxic from out of State.

Rebecca Charles

Milbridge, Maine

Comment: Let's give Maine a fair chance to handle its own landfill needs. Let the other places handle their own. It's time for Maine to fully embrace self-sufficiency, which includes having boundaries governing what we import here for profit. Keep it local ; keep it sustainable.

Michael MacPherson

Milbridge, Maine

Comment: The problem is, someone is profiting from the out of State dumping of toxic waste. This is a country of little or no accountability, where about everyone has their hand in one cookie jar or another.

Pamela Bell

Milford, Maine

Rachel Fowler

Milford, Maine

Anthony Guay

Milford, Maine

Megan Smith

Milford, Maine

Julie Vaillancourt

Milford, Maine

Anthony Filauro

Millinocket, Maine

roland voisine

Millinocket, Maine

Wilbur Nichols

Milo, Maine

Comment: I agree with you 100%.

Rebecca Stanley

Monmouth, Maine

Grace Vierling

Monmouth, Maine

William Berlinghoff

Montville, Maine

Samantha Blanchard

Morrill, Maine

Sam Gaughan

Morrill, Maine

Comment: The spill off Sears Island was unacceptable, how many more spills killing maine wildlife and jobs are acceptable? Stop this now.

Katherine Emery

Mount Desert, Maine

Dakota Hatton

Mount Desert, Maine

Comment: This is insane and it needs to stop

Philip Lichtenstein

Mount Desert, Maine

Comment: Trash is a problem. Manufacturer responsibility is the next wave of recycling.

Carl Little

Mount Desert, Maine

Cathy Oehmke

Mount Desert, Maine

Caroline Pryor

Mount Desert, Maine

Comment: Dear Maine Lawmakers & Regulatory Officials: Please ensure that Maine's trash-burning incinerators can never import Maine out-of-state municipal sludge. This is now being proposed by Delta Thermo Energy, a dubious company that is the leading bidder proposing to run the closed Fiberight Plant. Delta Thermo has publicly stated to the MRC and others their intention to bring East Coast municipal sludge to Maine. They will seek to revise their permits once they have a contract.

Evelyn Sargent

Mount Desert, Maine

Comment: Dear Maine Lawmaker NO out of state dumping of any waste toxic or otherwise in Maine landfills!!

Elizabeth Trehu

Mount Vernon, Maine

Deborah Bastian

New Gloucester, Maine

Anthony Castro

New Gloucester, Maine

Comment: Doing the right thing should be obvious...

Denise D'Amboise

New Gloucester, Maine

Phoebe Hardesty

New Gloucester, Maine

Mark Norton

New Gloucester, Maine

Comment: Strengthen our regulations to eliminate any possibility of out of state waste being dumped in Maine. Massachusetts needs to deal with their own toxic waste by keeping it there! It's time for Maine to stop being their doormat!

Lenore Sivulich

New Gloucester, Maine

Anne Wilder

New Gloucester, Maine

Comment: This is a terrible loophole, and needs to be addressed! States need to manage their own toxic waste, or stop producing it.

David Bilski

New Harbor, Maine

Nathaniel Curtis
New Harbor, Maine

Michelle Henkin
New Harbor, Maine

Jill Linzee
New Harbor, Maine

Donald Osier
New Harbor, Maine

Linda Shaffer
New Harbor, Maine
Comment: Other states will have no incentive to cut down on their waste if Maine continues to accept it.

John Winchester
New Harbor, Maine

Anne Winchester
New Harbor, Maine
Comment: The thought of Maine being a dump for Mass. trash is infuriating. We do not need their trash problem. Thank you for supporting LD1639.

Stephen Gorr
New Portland, Maine

Eileen Almy
New Sharon, Maine

Ed Ferreira
New Sharon, Maine

Henry Washburn
New Sharon, Maine
Comment: This is a common sense solution to an exploitative situation. Maine makes enough garbage, we do not need to import any other state's trash. I live about 10 miles from the CWS landfill in Norridgewock, so this is personal for me and my family.

Karol Clark
Newcastle, Maine

Dick Cleveland
Newcastle, Maine

Deborah Schwink
Newcastle, Maine

Joanna Deetjen
Newport, Maine

Nancy Babcock
Newry, Maine

Iris Roberts
Newry, Maine
Comment: Toxic waste should be rendered inert or neutral by

whoever produced it in the first place! We need laws that require THAT first Then, we need laws that impose huge fines on those who produce this waste and do NOT render it benign before disposing it. Then we need a means to enforce these penalties. It is time to clean up the planet, be responsible, and require polluters of any kind to PAY.

Laurel Dodge
Nobleboro, Maine

Krista Ethier
Nobleboro, Maine
Comment: Please vote in support of LD 1639 to protect our state's natural resources and its people!

Joan Gregoire
Nobleboro, Maine
Comment: UNACCEPTABLE!!

Carol Knapp
Nobleboro, Maine

Dewey Meteer
Nobleboro, Maine
Comment: Knock it off, for Pete's sake.

Steve Plumb
Nobleboro, Maine

Mary Sheldon
Nobleboro, Maine

Helen Balgooyen
Norridgewock, Maine

Marla Bottesch
Norridgewock, Maine
Comment: Of course we should not accept out-of-state toxic waste. The reason we're getting it is that they banned it from their states. Toxic material should not cross our borders - we should not burn it, process it in any way and definitely not landfill it, greedy waste-management corporations notwithstanding.

Evelyn McGraw
Norridgewock, Maine

margaret O'Connell
Norridgewock, Maine

Harriett Varney
Norridgewock, Maine

walt bailey
North Anson, Maine

Sylvia Bailey
North Anson, Maine
Comment: Stop dumping chemical dumping in Maine from out of state

Scott Quint

North Anson, Maine

CHARLES BYRNE

North Berwick, Maine

Deborah Harvey

North Berwick, Maine

Donna Lane

North Berwick, Maine

Benjamin Utter

North Berwick, Maine

Comment: disgustingly pathetic ??

Zeb Campbell

North Haven, Maine

Comment: We need a better solution. Lets find it.

Denise Masalsky

North Waterboro, Maine

Kathren Wilcox

North Waterboro, Maine

Comment: Please ban the importation of construction and demolition debris into the state of Maine. Thanks!

Roger Green

North Waterford, Maine

Comment: If Mass. doesn't want it why should we?

Suzanne Aubrey

North Yarmouth, Maine

Comment: STOP... just STOP allowing this to happen! Why would this happen in the first place!?!?! Close the loophole! I want to keep Maine safe for my grandchildren and the generations to come. I'm doing everything I can to reduce, reuse, recycle and cut down on what goes into the landfill, but it is disheartening to read about the mess coming in from out-of-state! Please do what you can and tell me what I need to do. Suzanne Aubrey North Yarmouth, Maine

Mandy Ball

North Yarmouth, Maine

Kathleen Conrad

North Yarmouth, Maine

Ann Dillon

North Yarmouth, Maine

Amy Eshoo

North Yarmouth, Maine

Patricia Fournier

North Yarmouth, Maine

Comment: How can this still be legal? Outrageous! The time to stop is now!

Polly Grindle

North Yarmouth, Maine

Susanne Lee

North Yarmouth, Maine

Comment: This is an unacceptable situation that must be stopped immediately in service of ALL the people of the state. With our strong agriculture, tourism, aquaculture, and quality of life-based economy as well as our 'Vacationland' and 'Maine - The Way Life Should Be' slogans, it should be clear that being a toxic dumping ground is not in the best interests of Maine people. In addition to the major economic, health, and environmental costs for our state, allowing other states to use Maine as their 'hazardous waste dump' is an insult and continues a terrible legacy of disregard for our remote state. Please stop this problem immediately. Thank you, Susanne

Diana Simonds

North Yarmouth, Maine

Judy Gilkes Benson

Northeast Harbor, Maine

Comment: Please work to stop using Maine's landfills with out -of-state waste. Maine like all states will have limits to their own landfills. This requires all states to control and address their waste. Thanks

Clark Grew

Northeast Harbor, Maine

Francis Weld

Northeast Harbor, Maine

Judy Berk

Northport, Maine

Comment: There is no reason to allow waste imports into Maine, and there are plenty of reasons not to, for example the recent waste spill at Sears Island. It's time to ban this! Thank you

Leanne Budolfson

Northport, Maine

Shelley Fein

Northport, Maine

Todd Hall

Northport, Maine

cory Upton-cosulich

Northport, Maine

Jennifer Angelone

Norway, Maine

Karen Smith

Norway, Maine

Patricia Suzanne

Norway, Maine

Comment: We're a separate state now from Massachusetts. Let's keep it that way and also support the sovereignty of Maine's First Nations. Thank you

Pat Berger

Oakland, Maine

Jo-Anne Bushey

Oakland, Maine

Phyllis Capanna

Oakland, Maine

Kristin Cleary

Ogunquit, Maine

Elana Fortin

Ogunquit, Maine

Patti Levenson

Ogunquit, Maine

Gail Wyman

Ogunquit, Maine

Comment: Please keep out of state waste out of Maine

Valerie Center

Old orchard beach, Maine

Comment: No out of state dumping

Suzanne Farley

Old Orchard Beach, Maine

Comment: I can't believe that this is happening in our beautiful state of Maine. It needs to STOP as soon as possible! Just because of a technicality our state has to put up with that trash. Totally unbelievable!!!! Totally disgusting!!!

Kathleen Lee

Old Orchard Beach, Maine

Duane Wakefield

Old Orchard Beach, Maine

Duanw Wakefield

Old Orchard Beach, Maine

Patricia Wright

Old Orchard Beach, Maine

Comment: This is shocking and unacceptable!

Peter Drewniany

Old Town, Maine

Roxane Dubay

Old Town, Maine

Maddie Eberly

Old Town, Maine

Vasia Markides

Old Town, Maine

Paula K Pietrowski

Old Town, Maine

Sienna Roberge

Old Town, Maine

Claire Schaffer

Old Town, Maine

James Wilson

Old Town, Maine

Comment: In Massachusetts 'regional solutions' is code for putting my sh*t in your backyard.

Carolyn Bennatti

Orland, Maine

Comment: Maine should not be a dumping ground for other states. It is time to close the loophole.

Mark Mezger

Orland, Maine

carol gorecki

Orneville Twp, Maine

john banks

oronno, Maine

Joline Blais

Orono, Maine

Comment: Please preserve Maine's clean environment resources as they support strong tourism and recreation economies and provide a healthy living environment for citizens. UMaine Orono, our state flagship University where we send our (and many Massachusetts kids) is within walking distance from this facility! Shameful!! Do not compromise our children and future for short terms gains. I see no reason why we need to dispose of Massachusetts generated wastes-- this prevents them from finding closed loop solutions, and pushes waste problems onto future generations. We should also be addressing Maine toxic wastes in the process.

Jennifer Bonnet

Orono, Maine

Constance Carter

Orono, Maine

Erin Carter

Orono, Maine

Taylor Cray

Orono, Maine

Meredith Diamond

Orono, Maine

Comment: Maine does not deserve to be New England's dumping ground. Please help.

Daniel Dixon

Orono, Maine

Comment: Maine should not be a dumping ground for the rest of New England!

Stefanie Egenhofer

Orono, Maine

Comment: Please close that ridiculous loophole. The Juniper Ridge landfill should only be used for 'real' Maine generated waste and not for the profit of a waste processing company that takes out-of-state CDD waste and buries it there.

Deanna Fahey

Orono, Maine

Emily Hasbrouck

Orono, Maine

Leslie Hudson

Orono, Maine

Abigail Jernigan

Orono, Maine

Sandra Lane Johnson

Orono, Maine

Jason Langley

Orono, Maine

Comment: Close the loophole and stop out of state garbage filling up our landfills!

Celeste Livengood

Orono, Maine

Sarah Lobe

Orono, Maine

Kathy Moore

Orono, Maine

Susan Pinette

Orono, Maine

Katie Quirk

Orono, Maine

Cheryl Robertson

Orono, Maine

Comment: This is important legislation that will keep our state clean and green! Gov. Mills is promoting Maine's Climate Action plan - excessive waste contributes to GHG emissions - a direct contradiction to goals set by the state and municipalities.

Gemma Scott

Orono, Maine

John Tjepkema

Orono, Maine

Gail White

Orono, Maine

Tim Conmee

Orrington, Maine

Kirsten Gagnon

Orrington, Maine

judy holder

Orrington, Maine

Comment: Rediculous stop taking out of state trash.

Patricia Judd

Orrington, Maine

Comment: We need to protect our state and its environment from toxic trash from out of state. Please pass this bill!

Thomas Poole

Orrington, Maine

Elizabeth Boerstling

Orrs Island, Maine

Pat McCoy

Otisfield, Maine

Marjorie Maxcy

Owls Head, Maine

Comment: We must protect the environment and ourselves from toxic waste of all kinds.

Alan Philbrook

Owls Head, Maine

Catherinr Syrett

Owls Head, Maine

Kevin Briggs

Oxford, Maine

Barbara Kafka

Parkman, Maine

Ingrid Baily

Parsonsfield, Maine

Mary Anne Mitchell

Peaks Island, Maine

Judith Nelson

Peaks Island, Maine

Ben Harris

Pemaquid, Maine

Comment: Unlike the Mass. drivers who eventually return home, this toxic waste will stick around forever.

James Sosa
Pembroke, Maine

Tom Adamo
Penobscot, Maine

Comment: The ultimate goal to consider is ways of reducing waste in the production of consumer goods. Plastic containers wrapped around a product already wrapped in plastic then boxed with inflated plastic bags or Styrofoam pellets just makes no sense. Once we begin to address the cause the solution presents itself. Biodegradable packing does not create plastic waste.

Dotty Caldwell
Penobscot, Maine

Edward Dufresne
Penobscot, Maine

Joanna Rysnik
Penobscot, Maine
Comment: How ridiculous is that, please. Keep Maine clean, stop polluting our land and waters.

Laurie Warren
Penobscot, Maine

Chris Lentricchia
Phillips, Maine

Debbie McCarthy
Phillips, Maine

Leslie Belz
Phippsburg, Maine

Jordan Buzzell
Phippsburg, Maine

Erin Crosman
Phippsburg, Maine

Lindsey Darling-Prager
Phippsburg, Maine

Michael Levy
Phippsburg, Maine

Darlene Mackinnon
Phippsburg, Maine

Laura Perkins
Phippsburg, Maine

STEPHANIE PRUZANSKY
Phippsburg, Maine

Donna Richardson
Phippsburg, Maine

Laura Sewall
Phippsburg, Maine

Sean Vaillancourt
Phippsburg, Maine

William White
Phippsburg, Maine
Comment: Stop this horrible practice!!!

Trudy Ferland
Pittsfield, Maine

Jim Rodrigue
Pittston, Maine
Comment: Close ALL loopholes!

Abby Snow
Pittston, Maine

Catherine Swartz
Pleasant ridge, Maine

Jennifer Larrabee
Plymouth, Maine

Christina Bichrest
Poland, Maine

Ann Gagne
Poland, Maine

Amanda Robbins-rowe
Poland, Maine
Comment: Stop trashing our state!

Mark Ustach
Poland, Maine

William Clarke
Port Clyde, Maine

Warren Austerer
Portland, Maine

Louise Backer
Portland, Maine

prudence barry
Portland, Maine
Comment: Legislation to forbid that, as well as a serious education thrust towards decreasing the sources everywhere of disposable waste is essential to saving the planet!

Joanne Bartlett
Portland, Maine

Catherine Berce
Portland, Maine
Comment: Protect our beautiful state!

Stephen Blanchard

Portland, Maine

Mirella Boggio-Roberts

Portland, Maine

Robert Bond

Portland, Maine

Pamela Cantlin

Portland, Maine

Seana Cullinan

Portland, Maine

Athena Davis

Portland, Maine

Deb Denbow

Portland, Maine

Jacqui Deveneau

Portland, Maine

Karri Diomede

Portland, Maine

Veronica Dudar

Portland, Maine

Peter Dugas

Portland, Maine

C Eaton

Portland, Maine

Michael Edwards

Portland, Maine

Comment: Stop using our home state as a toilet. Have you no decency?

Jess Falero

Portland, Maine

Becca Ferguson

Portland, Maine

Paul Gagne

Portland, Maine

Comment: This is one of the most basic tenets of being a good neighbor. We cannot dump our garbage on a neighbor's property. So why does this perilous and threatening loophole exist? It must be stopped immediately!

Francesca Galluccio-Steele

Portland, Maine

William Garcelon

Portland, Maine

Gus Goodwin

Portland, Maine

Kara Grant

Portland, Maine

Thomas Halstead

Portland, Maine

Jennifer Heald

Portland, Maine

Mariah Healy

Portland, Maine

Joe Hemes

Portland, Maine

Angela Henry

Portland, Maine

Brenda Howe

Portland, Maine

Elizabeth Huntley

Portland, Maine

Comment: Why would anyone want our beautiful state to be a dump? Just stop!!!

Kristin Jackson

Portland, Maine

Peter Jacobson

Portland, Maine

Sheila Jarnes

Portland, Maine

Freddy Kaye

Portland, Maine

Gina Kenny

Portland, Maine

Barbara Keppel

Portland, Maine

Mary Lacmbe

Portland, Maine

Alan Liska

Portland, Maine

Christine Lomaka

Portland, Maine

Devin Luther

Portland, Maine

Jennifer MacKenzie

Portland, Maine

Joseph Madjerac

Portland, Maine

Anu Makynen

Portland, Maine

Berry Manter

Portland, Maine

Maeve McInnis

Portland, Maine

ERIC MEADER

Portland, Maine

Don Miller

Portland, Maine

Comment: This has to stop!

Danny Mitchell

Portland, Maine

Jennifer O'Connell

Portland, Maine

Megan Osgood

Portland, Maine

Susan Pastore

Portland, Maine

Comment: Years ago Maine Peoples' Alliance brought this issue to the people and to the legislatures' attention. Now, here we are, once again having to beg the Maine State Legislatures to do their job: to protect our lands, our waters, and our people. I am now writ

Karen Perry

Portland, Maine

Eileen Purdy

Portland, Maine

Davian Rawls

Portland, Maine

LEE REEVE

Portland, Maine

Margaret Rodriguez

Portland, Maine

MIKE ROYLOS

Portland, Maine

Comment: Quick question- Who was responsible for getting this loophole placed in the law in the first place? Maybe they have an explanation for opening up our environment to exploitation. PPH- next story???

Rachael Ryan

Portland, Maine

Eve Sawyer

Portland, Maine

William Sedlack

Portland, Maine

Stacey Sevelowitz

Portland, Maine

Ronald Shapiro

Portland, Maine

Pamela Shaw

Portland, Maine

Ezra Silk

Portland, Maine

Kathleen Spahn

Portland, Maine

Elizabeth Streeter

Portland, Maine

Comment: The toxic waste we produce in Maine is bad enough. If each state is made to take care of it's own waste perhaps we can stop its production. So now Mass sends it's toxic waste to us because their laws prohibit it in their state. If we won't take it, the

Lauren Strohmeier

Portland, Maine

Susan Swain

Portland, Maine

Comment: Close the loophole and protect Maine's ground water and rivers.

Nicholas Toole

Portland, Maine

Colleen Topper

Portland, Maine

Sally Trice

Portland, Maine

Kenny Volock

Portland, Maine

Kyle Walton

Portland, Maine

William Weber

Portland, Maine

Comment: Maine shouldn't allow out-of-state waste haulers a cheap opportunity to dispose of their waste. We will only reduce our waste stream by making it less profitable. Will these out-of-state firms be around if we need to clean up these sites in the future? BAN Out-of-State waste dumping!

Bob and Linda Webster

Portland, Maine

Matthew Wellington

Portland, Maine

Brett Willis

Portland, Maine

Polly Wilson

Portland, Maine

William Wilson

Portland, Maine

Walter Voitasek

Portland, Maine

Comment: This dumping of out-of-state waste is a blight on the landscape of Maine and an insult to the Penobscot Nation. I support bill #LD1639 which would protect the residents of the Old Town area and the residents of Indian Island.

Peggy York

Portland, Maine

Ron Letourneau

Pownal, Maine

Ginny Remeika

Pownal, Maine

Liz Lauer

Prentiss, Maine

Sarah LeClaire

Presque Isle, Maine

Gary Vencill

Prospect, Maine

Marlene Miller

Prospect Harbor, Maine

Comment: What a mess! We should all be attempting to create less waste and recycle more. Planned obsolescence is part of the larger issue. Items which should be repaired and reused are often not repairable. Which is criminal actually. (A newer refrigerator with a tiny buried chip which could not be replaced is an example from my home.) Another issue is why everything needs to be packaged in materials which never break down - ie shiny mylar type packaging. Thanks for listening! and trying to change the easy dumping practices which out of state companies are taking advantage of.

Donna Wenckus

Randolph, Maine

Comment: every state should be taking care of their own trash..if they have too much they need to implement changes to the problem. we have our own worries, here!

Susan Borko

Rangeley, Maine

Herbert French

Rangeley, Maine

Comment: Wait a minute. Massachusetts banned it and Maine allows it. Something is wrong.

Donald Nuttall

Rangeley, Maine

Robert & Janet WELCH

Rangeley, Maine

Comment: This must stop.

Beth Blood

Raymond, Maine

Comment: Get a conscience please.

Mike D'Arcangelo

Raymond, Maine

Comment: In a better world all manufactured product will by law be recycled.

Bradford Hanson

Raymond, Maine

Corey Matheson

Raymond, Maine

Ashley Pomelow

Raymond, Maine

Stephanie Donaldson

Readfield, Maine

Krysta West

Readfield, Maine

Darcy Whittemore

Readfield, Maine

Laurie Carver

Richmond, Maine

Comment: This is terrible! Why would we allow this?

Beth Comeau

Richmond, Maine

Pete Dorey

Richmond, Maine

Comment: Keep out of state waste out of our landfills.

Jonica Garland

Richmond, Maine

Jaye Gilmore

Richmond, Maine

Julie Plummer

Richmond, Maine

Jennifer Small
Richmond, Maine

Barbara Vickery
Richmond, Maine

Elizabeth Jackson
Robbinston, Maine

Paula Coil
Rockland, Maine

Nancy Galland
Rockland, Maine
Comment: This is colonialism and environmental racism, all in one messy package. The State has an obligation to the citizenry of Maine to keep toxics out of our waters, our land, and our air: the basics that keep us alive! We all live downstream...even the lawmakers who should care enough to change the language of this outdated, dangerous law. Do the right thing, please!

Lane Gower
Rockland, Maine

David Paffhausen
Rockland, Maine

Linda Rice
Rockland, Maine
Comment: Solid and liquid wastes have been a challenging and sometimes dangerous problem in this country. Promoting and even mandating recycling and restricting the use of toxic substances in manufacturing would help. Maine has made an effort but all of us could do more. Start by preventing waste from other states being transported into our beautiful state.

MIKE SHUNNEY
Rockland, Maine

Rachael Turcotte
Rockland, Maine

Susan Wind
Rockland, Maine

Austin Gallant
Rockport, Maine

Harrah Lord
Rockport, Maine

Courtney Norman
Rockport, Maine

John Power
Rockport, Maine

John Priestley
Rockport, Maine

Martha White
Rockport, Maine

Johnny Sanchez
Rockwood, Maine

Sandra Scholar
Rockwood, Maine

Comment: Other states need to take care of their trash responsibly, not dump it on Maine for us to have to deal with. It may be 'out of sight, out of mind' for them, but it poisons our land, air, and water. We need to close this loop hole!

John Brower
Rome, Maine

Karen Burnett
Roque Bluffs, Maine
Comment: Enough of other state trash!

Richard Francis
Round Pond, Maine

janet John
Round Pond, Maine

Denise Benedict
Saco, Maine

Hayward Breslin
Saco, Maine

Mary Finn
Saco, Maine

ann fisher
Saco, Maine
Comment: Out-of-state dumping at Juniper Ridge Landfill is detrimental to Maine's environment and needs to stop. We need to close the loophole in the law and ban trash from other states from being dumped.

Jennifer Genest
Saco, Maine

Sonja Gerken
Saco, Maine
Comment: Please close the LoopHole that allows out of state waste to be dump in Maine. Thank you, Sonja Gerken

Andrew Goldberg
Saco, Maine

Annie Levine
Saco, Maine

Michael Mooney
Saint Albans, Maine

Danielle Stanley
Saint Albans, Maine

Clifford Babkirk
Sanford, Maine

Comment: I think it is wrong to accept 'toxic waste' much less any waste from out of state waste management groups into Maine landfills. I especially believe it is detrimental and threatening to the surrounding areas occupied by the Penobscot Nations and neighboring residents not to mention the Penobscot Bay and River areas. The Maine legislature should vote to stop this practice.

Royce Rankin
Sanford, Maine

Angela Vulner
Sanford, Maine

Meredith Perkins
Sangerville, Maine
Comment: This is a priority!

Tracey Allen
Scarborough, Maine

Paula Atkinson
Scarborough, Maine

Susan Babb
Scarborough, Maine

Rita Breton
Scarborough, Maine

Julie Carter
Scarborough, Maine

Lorraine DeFreitas
Scarborough, Maine

Debbie Dembski
Scarborough, Maine
Comment: SHOCKED to hear that so much waste from MA is filling Maine landfills!! This must stop!

Terri Eddy
Scarborough, Maine

Brian Englishman
Scarborough, Maine

Mark Follansbee
Scarborough, Maine
Comment: I lived in NE Pennsylvania and saw the damage that out-of-state trash does to the roads and communities. From trash blowing out of trucks to damage to local surface streets, this is a bad deal for Maine.

Donna Gordon
Scarborough, Maine
Comment: If we take good care of the/our planet, the/our planet will take good care of us. Garbage in, garbage back.....quality care in, abundance back!

Steven Hill
Scarborough, Maine

Marc Lausier
Scarborough, Maine

Pearl Mahany
Scarborough, Maine
Comment: We have enough already. Develop program to make trash to energy in their own area.

Henry Manseau
Scarborough, Maine
Comment: Please vote in support of LD 1639 to protect Maine's people, land, air, and water by closing the loophole and stopping the practice of filling our State-owned landfills with toxic out-of-state waste.

Jane Palmer
Scarborough, Maine
Comment: For the health and well being of people here n Maine, we MUST NOT ALLOW the continuation of dumping out of state waste here in Maine!

Mark Pokras
Scarborough, Maine

Thomas Ryan
Scarborough, Maine

Sylvan Thorncraft
Scarborough, Maine

Bethany Whittemore
Scarborough, Maine

Emily Beck
Seal Cove, Maine

Sheila Eddison
Seal Cove, Maine

Sarah Currie-Halpern
Seal Harbor, Maine

Sydney Roberts Rockefeller
Seal Harbor, Maine

Frank Schwartz
Seal Harbor, Maine

Liv Detrick
Searsmont, Maine

Ken Lawton

Searsmont, Maine

William Leavenworth

Searsmont, Maine

Comment: Impound the vehicles of folks who dump out-of-state waste. We're not talking about a bottle brought in from another New England state; we're talking about trash cans full of imported waste.

Stephen Porter

Searsmont, Maine

Mary Anne Riley

Searsmont, Maine

Jonathan Robbins

Searsmont, Maine

Jean Wakem

Searsmont, Maine

Comment: Come on folks! This should be an easy fix!

Porsche Baril

Searsport, Maine

Joanne Cyr

Searsport, Maine

Alfred McMonagle

Searsport, Maine

John Pangiochi

Searsport, Maine

Dennis Pike

Searsport, Maine

Phyllis Sommer

Searsport, Maine

Comment: Please close the loophole that allows toxic out of state waste to be dumped in the Old Town landfill. Many other countries don't accept waste from the USA anymore and Maine cannot afford to turn a blind eye to anything that contaminates our pristine environment further. If this were being dumped around the lobstering grounds, there would be an immediate halt. But to think this is endangering the Penobscot Nation and environs without rapid intervention does not speak highly about how we value human and ecological health. Thank you.

Olivia Talgo

Searsport, Maine

Janet Williams

Searsport, Maine

Comment: Maine has enough trash of its own without allowing other states to dump their trash here, too.

Cathleen Griffin

Sebago, Maine

Comment: This must stop. Dumping is NOT the answer. And especially dumping where it becomes someone else's responsibility.

Kristina Zuidema

Sebago, Maine

Jayne Lello

Sebec, Maine

Comment: It is imperative that Maine NOT be the dumping ground for industrial and urban centers. Maine's strength and economic future is in our fresh water, coastal fishery, wild areas and hard working, inventive population. We should not be selling our resource

elaine hewes

Sedgwick, Maine

Val Marquez

Shapleigh, Maine

HERB FITHIAN

Sherman, Maine

Jayne Folger

Sidney, Maine

Sandra Neptune

Sidney, Maine

Tom Vigue

Sidney, Maine

Susan Cochran

Skowhegan, Maine

Robert and Donna Conkling

Skowhegan, Maine

Lee Couturier

Skowhegan, Maine

Comment: It's bad enough that we don't recycle as we should in this state, but why do we take garbage from other states. Old Town and Norridgewock should never be allowed to take garbage from other states, some of it toxic.

Patrick Flynn

Skowhegan, Maine

Roger Renfrew

Skowhegan, Maine

Jan Stringos

Skowhegan, Maine

Comment: Is our state of Maine being held hostage, using out of state toxic waste for a revenue source? We've been through this before. Who let this loophole happen, on who's

watch, and who are the individuals benefiting financially from this loophole. And how long has this been going on?

Patricia Van Horne
Skowhegan, Maine

Dwight Violette
Skowhegan, Maine

James Battersby
Solon, Maine

Comment: Anyone who is for this use of Maine lands also lacks any self respect of themselves.

Frank Ridley
Solon, Maine

Comment: How can this not be a good idea?

Christopher Johnson
Somerville, Maine

Comment: Maine is known for its pristine nature, clean water, safe environment, and natural spaces. Being the dumping ground for everyone else's waste, whatever it may be, not consistent with that. Let's not be the place everyone else's toxins and garbage goes merely because our land isn't as expensive as other states' nice tidy communities. Make other states come to grips with their own waste stream and wasteful practices. IT IS TIME TO STRENGTHEN OUR LAWS!

Diane Dahmen
Sorrento, Maine

Andrew Banks
South Berwick, Maine

Lydia Higgins
South Berwick, Maine

I mel
South Berwick, Maine

Emily MacKenzie
South Bristol, Maine

Robert Bennett
South China, Maine

Susan Cottle
South China, Maine

Comment: The days of being able to move trash into someone else's backyard, watershed, or any other place need to end. We all need to take responsibility for what we produce and for how we ensure it is properly taken care of so it doesn't hurt us or those who follow us.

Maria Cruz
South China, Maine

Comment: I had no idea that regular waste and toxic waste was being brought into Maine from other states. This is an

outrage and must stop! Please vote to pass LD 1639 to stop this horrible practice.

Brian Gallant
South China, Maine

Virginia Pelletier
South China, Maine

Jayne Winters
South China, Maine

Comment: Maine is said to be, 'The way life should be.' It's recognized for its natural resources - clean air, clear water, expansive forests, wildlife and more. There is no reason, not even the almighty dollar, for us to import toxic out-of-state waste. Massachusetts apparently had the wisdom to ban these materials from their landfills. Maine needs to wake up and follow suit.

Jon Edwards
South Freeport, Maine

Nancy Fox
South Freeport, Maine

Katherine Branch
South Paris, Maine

James Kennedy
South Paris, Maine

Kerry Read
South Paris, Maine

Artemis Boynton
South Portland, Maine

Kelly Corbin
South Portland, Maine

Robin Elliott
South Portland, Maine

Katelin Erskine
South Portland, Maine

Carolyn Foley
South Portland, Maine

Craig Frey
South Portland, Maine

Maryann Glidden
South Portland, Maine

Jennifer Goldman
South Portland, Maine

Angela Haskell
South Portland, Maine

Julie Hopkins

South Portland, Maine

Nancy Hubley

South Portland, Maine

Pamela Kasabian

South Portland, Maine

Comment: I know that Maine citizens have the capability to create alternative revenue streams that do not pollute and destroy our beautiful land for future generations. Stop importing waste.

Daryl Kelley

South Portland, Maine

Nat May

South Portland, Maine

Kirsten McWilliams

South Portland, Maine

James Melloh

South Portland, Maine

Comment: Stop the loophole which sidesteps the vital intent of the law.

Elizabeth Nolan Nolan

South Portland, Maine

Comment: Are you kidding me with this??? Who profits?

Kathleen Potrepka

South Portland, Maine

Gregg Raymond

South Portland, Maine

Ursula Schmidt

South Portland, Maine

Donna Senkbeil

South Portland, Maine

Jean Smith

South Portland, Maine

Lucie Springman

South Portland, Maine

BRIAN Steppacher

South Portland, Maine

Comment: If the toxic waste is inert it will sit in the soil forever and/or leach into water bodies on the surface and below ground unaltered. If the elements in the leachate are free radicals (?) they can be attenuated and/or mitigated through the addition of complimentary ions. Every land fill should be appropriately lined with clay (for example) to prevent leachate from spreading from its source and contaminating ground and surface waters and soils.

Taylor Strubell

South Portland, Maine

Julie Suiter

South Portland, Maine

Kathy Turner

South Portland, Maine

Gabriella Turner

South Portland, Maine

Scott Turner

South Portland, Maine

Christine Wright

South Portland, Maine

Ellen Zimmerman

South Portland, Maine

Kathleen Florance

South Thomaston, Maine

Sally Howlett

South Thomaston, Maine

Stephen Homer

Southwest Harbor, Maine

Linda Homer

Southwest Harbor, Maine

Kristin R Hutchins

Southwest Harbor, Maine

Comment: Let the consequences of our consumption stay with ourselves. Attaching cause to effect makes solutions clearer.

Sam Jacobson

Southwest Harbor, Maine

Comment: Not in my state!

Elizabeth Laverack

Southwest Harbor, Maine

Marjorie Monteleon

Southwest Harbor, Maine

Mindy Terry

Southwest Harbor, Maine

Martha Roberts

Springvale, Maine

Greg Soutiea

Spruce Head, Maine

Deb Boxer

Standish, Maine

Comment: We have enough of our own waste in this state. If

you drive through Standish now all up and down every road, people throw their trash out the windows onto the ground. It is disgusting and looks horrible. We certainly don't need out of state trash filling up our landfills. And certainly not near cultural grounds. Thank you, Deb Boxer

Eileen Burnell
Standish, Maine

Margaret Sweet
Standish, Maine

Lee-Ann VanAtta
Standish, Maine

Donald Parker
Steep Falls, Maine
Comment: stop out of state trash!!!!

Peggy Drake
Steuben, Maine

Susan Richard
Steuben, Maine

Maryann Smale
Steuben, Maine

Abigail Bradford
Stillwater, Maine

Donna Gold
Stockton Springs, Maine

Colette Jadis
Stockton Springs, Maine

Nancy Kane
Stockton Springs, Maine

Ryan Ming
Stockton Springs, Maine
Comment: I have spent a considerable amount of time cleaning up the plastic debris from Northern Ireland left in Long Cove off Searsport. Unfortunately the clean up is not finished! The mainland side and the causeway still have microplastics in the seaweed. When will enough be enough? When it's too late?

Ken Oberholtzer
Stockton Springs, Maine

Beth Smith
Stockton Springs, Maine

Martha Stamp
Stockton Springs, Maine

Joyce White
Stoneham, Maine

Edith Cameron
Stonington, Maine

Laura Lawford
Stonington, Maine

Nancy Wynne
Stonington, Maine

Marcia White
Stratton, Maine
Comment: inexcusable...close the loophole

Paul Breeden
Sullivan, Maine

jon nyborg
Sullivan, Maine
Comment: It's about time we put an end to Casella's toxic waste money schemes! No LOOPHOLES! Maine trash is not Trash that's trucked into Maine from out of state and then labeled 'Maine Trash' on th floor at some facility!

Lawrence O'Rourke
Sumner, Maine
Comment: THIS SITUATION IS OUTRAGEOUS AND HAS TO STOP!

Robert Runes
Sumner, Maine

Nancy Hathaway
Surry, Maine

Lucy Leaf
Surry, Maine
Comment: We cannot become the dumping ground for other states or countries. Please act on this matter now.

Jennifer Lipka
Surry, Maine

Paula Mrozicki
Surry, Maine

Arlene Roberts
Surry, Maine

Carol Simon
Swanville, Maine
Comment: Maine is still learning how to reduce, recycle, and store the trash its citizens accumulate--let's keep it local!

Mary Sohl
Sweden, Maine

Greg Kimber
Temple, Maine

Sandra MacMahon
Temple, Maine

Mary Sennott Hewitt

Temple, Maine

Janine Winn

Temple, Maine

Comment: Our state is not a garbage dump!

Norah Getgood

Tenants Harbor, Maine

Anne Goodale

Tenants Harbor, Maine

Ernie Johnson

Tenants Harbor, Maine

susan hathaway

The forks, Maine

Matt Bonner

Thomaston, Maine

Comment: I lived in Orono and Old Town for a number of years and learned much of the Penobscot nation and their vast history and knowledge. The physical landscape itself is beautiful as well and I would hate to see it damaged by any unnecessary dumping. Please stop bringing in more waste from out of state there's no reason for it.

Mimi Moore

Thomaston, Maine

Rebecca Hagen

Thorndike, Maine

Comment: Maine is not a dumping ground.

Anon Maine

Thorndike, Maine

Winifred Noyes

Thorndike, Maine

Michelle Borodinsky

Topsham, Maine

Comment: It is time to intensify and subsidize recycling efforts rather than dump 'waste' particularly out-of-state material, in landfills!

Susanne Colson

Topsham, Maine

Comment: It's amazing this has gone on so long! Thanks to NRCM for jumping in!

Jacquelyn Cressy

Topsham, Maine

Matt Cunio

Topsham, Maine

Pauline Dingle

Topsham, Maine

Comment: We need to take action now in order to keep our beautiful state clean!

Joseph Feely

Topsham, Maine

Comment: Any money made by the out-of-state dumping of waster in Maine will be dwarfed by the potential long-term consequences. This practice should end - if for no other reason than it is an insult to our State.

Mark Grandonico

Topsham, Maine

M. Elaine Kurtz

Topsham, Maine

Amanda Larkin

Topsham, Maine

Arthur and Charlotte Mary

Topsham, Maine

Comment: This has to stop !!!

Mary Meier

Topsham, Maine

Thomas O'Keefe

Topsham, Maine

Julie Pease

Topsham, Maine

Terry Porter

Topsham, Maine

Carolyn Porter

Topsham, Maine

Susan Rae-Reeves

Topsham, Maine

Comment: We need to find real solutions to the garbage problem. Let's not allow shifting responsibility.

Dorota Schweier

Topsham, Maine

Michael Gilmartin

Trenton, Maine

Maggie Harling

Trenton, Maine

Marcia Chaffee

Trescott Twp, Maine

Suzanne Plaut

Trescott Twp, Maine

Comment: Appalling long term environmental cost - Maine needs to stand up for it's environment and the future health of generations to come

Jean Hamilton

Trevett, Maine

Bill Hammond

Trevett, Maine

Comment: Protect the Penobscot watershed!

David St.Jean

Troy, Maine

Comment: Keep our state clean !!@

Emily Dingman

Turner, Maine

Comment: We need to find ways to reduce our waste streams, and having to deal with it in our own space is a great way to incentivise that. Maine is a beautiful place with lots of open space that people travel from far and near to enjoy, let's not take on other people's waste at a detriment to our state. When their waste has to be dealt with close to home, people will come up with creative solutions for it. Please support LD 1639.

Sharon Martin

Turner, Maine

Comment: Maine should not be the dumping ground for the trash of other states.

Jon Ellis

Union, Maine

P. Jaine Jacobs

Union, Maine

Nancy Johnson

Union, Maine

Keri Kaczor

Union, Maine

Teresa Roth

Union, Maine

Comment: Close the loophole and enforce the original law, not intended to allow this toxic out of state waste dumping, it's quite obvious.

John Shepard/Bx828

Union, Maine

Comment: As the president of the board of directors for our regional solid waste facility, TriCounty Solid Waste Management, I find this loophole appalling and I agree that this must be stopped.

Katherine Wellen

Union, Maine

Finn Whiting

Union, Maine

Lyn Grotke

Unity, Maine

Diana Hauser

Unity, Maine

Comment: This is just plain wrong on all levels.

Annie Sheble

Unity, Maine

Harry Bonish

Vassalboro, Maine

Comment: This needs to stop NOW! Period!

Linda Kingdon

Vassalboro, Maine

Suzanne Malis-Anderson

Veazie, Maine

Linda Swackhamer

Veazie, Maine

Comment: Stop accepting more trash here! We work to compost, recycle and reduce our waste stream locally, and this business model depends on gathering more trash! And then dumping into the sacred Penobscot River. End this loophole!

Isabelle Rogers

Vienna, Maine

Comment: Yes! Please this has got to stop! No more out-of-state trash and toxic waste!

Laura Shepherd

Vienna, Maine

Brent Groce

Vinalhaven, Maine

Susan Lauchlan

Waldo, Maine

Krisanne Baker

Waldoboro, Maine

Comment: Diabolical! Need I say more?

Caren Clark

Waldoboro, Maine

Comment: Stop allowing this to happen!

Melissa Dearborn

Waldoboro, Maine

Tatyana Eckstrand

Waldoboro, Maine

Deborah Michaelsen

Waldoboro, Maine

Lee Rodgers

Waldoboro, Maine

Comment: I don't want this to happen!

Susan Barbay

Wales, Maine

Lance Bukoff

Warren, Maine

Nancy Button

Warren, Maine

Ward Grafton

Warren, Maine

Katherine Holland

Warren, Maine

Comment: We must close this loophole that classifies waste as "generated within the state" just by virtue of being delivered to one of Maine's waste processing facilities on its way to JRL. We can't become a dumping ground for waste that other states don't want in their own jurisdictions!

Sandra Hall Bourrie

Washington, Maine

Kara Potter

Washington, Maine

Tom Potter

Washington, Maine

Jackie Elliott

Waterboro, Maine

Comment: Maine citizens have the right to live in communities free from toxic threat from polluters. Maine should not be 'the answer' for other states' irresponsibility for handling of waste materials. We need to close the loophole in Maine law that allows us to be the 'dumping ground' for out-of-state waste.

Craig Richardson

Waterboro, Maine

Kerry Johnson

Waterford, Maine

Lydia Landesberg

Waterford, Maine

Comment: Please stop the delivery of out-of-state waste to Maine landfills. Our environment is too fragile, and Maine's economy depends on it.

Mary Martin

Waterford, Maine

Margaret Nation

Waterford, Maine

Bonnie Parsons

Waterford, Maine

Comment: No way is dumping another state's toxic waste in Maine to be allowed!! No loopholes!!! It's just plain wrong. Lawmakers do your job and protect our Rivers, People, Wildlife, and natural resources, including we must care about the health and rights of the Penobscot Indians. Please Support LD 1639!

Carol Rothenberg

Waterford, Maine

Julie Brown

Waterville, Maine

Irene Cruz

Waterville, Maine

Gale Davison

Waterville, Maine

Comment: We don't need to manage other state's trash when we produce too much of our own.

Cody Horn

Waterville, Maine

Comment: Maine is a state built on natural beauty and purity and should not sell out just for a few extra dollars. If the land and rivers are ruined there is no Maine

Margaret Kolesar

Waterville, Maine

Carolyn MacRae

Waterville, Maine

George Miller

Waterville, Maine

Janine Moore

Waterville, Maine

Sharon Saunders

Waterville, Maine

Thomas Tietenberg

Waterville, Maine

Tamie Trainer

Waterville, Maine

Linda Woods

Waterville, Maine

Prudence Andrews

Wayne, Maine

Kate Connelly

Wayne, Maine

Les Lewandowski

Wayne, Maine

Comment: What an outrageous loophole for our beautiful state!

Reid Appleby

Wells, Maine

Hannah Crouthamel

Wells, Maine

Comment: This cannot continue; our legislature must fix this NOW. And it is an easy fix, unless our legislature is in the pocket of the big corporations who are responsible for this.

Lucy Hardy

Wells, Maine

Joe Hardy

Wells, Maine

Amanda Ledoiux

Wells, Maine

Jean Whelan

Wells, Maine

Comment: In an attempt to limit pollutants in Maine, it is unbelievable to allow toxic materials from any other state to go into Maine's landfills. The Maine Legislature must pass legislation to stop this immediately. I, and hopefully most other Mainers, want clean air now and for generations to come. There is no way to predict what toxic materials will be out-gased in the future from landfills. Stop accepting anything for Maine's landfills from other states!

Jane Whetstone

Wells, Maine

Diane Williams

Wells, Maine

Comment: Do not dump any out of state toxic waste or trash in Maine. Every state needs to handle their own refuse!

Vinnedge Lawrence

West Baldwin, Maine

Anne Childs

West Bath, Maine

Comment: I learned of this issue from NRDC this morning. Hope the Legislature will support LD 1639. Maine's people should not be put at risk by irresponsible waste management in Massachusetts.

Erin Connolly

West Bath, Maine

Evelyn Dunphy

West Bath, Maine

Comment: I want to add my name to the list of Maine citizens who do not want to allow dumping of toxic wastes in our State-owned landfills.

Richard Everett

West bath, Maine

Comment: Please stop allowing out of state trash

Mary Ellen Wilson

West Bath, Maine

Benjamin Borkowski

West Boothbay Harbor, Maine

Betsy Laney

West Gardiner, Maine

Lauren Swindells

West Gardiner, Maine

Pam Adams

Westbrook, Maine

AL Arsenault

Westbrook, Maine

Kathleen Athearn

Westbrook, Maine

Courtney Frost

Westbrook, Maine

Martha Goodale

Westbrook, Maine

Kim Matthews

Westbrook, Maine

Heather Muzzy Caron

Westbrook, Maine

Don Naber

Westbrook, Maine

Comment: Close the loophole that allows trucking of waste from out of state to be classified as 'generated within the state' when this is clearly not true.

Barbara Peaslee

Westbrook, Maine

Comment: To make a living deliberately dumping trash/garbage in Maine that is trucked in? No way...EVER! Other States can take care of their own problems...Maine is not a dumping ground.

Deanna Reeves Korey

Westbrook, Maine

Beth Schultz

Westbrook, Maine

Michele Strang

Westbrook, Maine

Bridget Strang

Westbrook, Maine

Bryan Strang
Westbrook, Maine

Seth Mirsky
Westport Island, Maine

Janet Thompson
Westport Island, Maine

Virginia Campbell
Whitefield, Maine
Comment: I can't believe we have ever allowed such a thing!

Carole Cifrino
Whitefield, Maine

Mary Dunn
Whitefield, Maine

Erik & Judith Ekholm
Whitefield, Maine

Nate Hopkins
Whitefield, Maine

Natasha Mayers
Whitefield, Maine

Katherine Morse
Whitefield, Maine

Laurel Mullens
Whitefield, Maine

STEPHEN PELLECCIA
Whitefield, Maine
Comment: Stop out of state waste

Rebecca Clark
Whitneyville, Maine
Comment: Dumping out-of-state waste containing toxic materials into a land fill is not a safe way of dealing with toxic waste. The toxins in waste require careful, expensive treatment & sequestration to prevent the pollution of surrounding soil and water - both n

Gary Burke
Wilton, Maine

Barbara O'Reilly
Wilton, Maine

Bob O'Reilly
Wilton, Maine

Ken Sawyer
Wilton, Maine
Comment: Each state needs to handle its own waste internally as that is the only way to get businesses and people to change harmful behaviors. Maine's future must be as an

environmentally clean and responsible vacationland, not as a toxic waste dump.

Joyce Bailey
Windham, Maine

Comment: Please bring an end to this toxic mess! Thank you for helping to care fir our magnificent state. ~ Joyce Bailey, Windham

Martha Briggs
Windham, Maine

Rosanne Dombek
Windham, Maine

Jeff Dunlop
Windham, Maine

Jennifer Harmon
Windham, Maine
Comment: Maine is a treasure that needs to be protected!!

Jennifer Harmon
Windham, Maine
Comment: I agree that this needs to stop to protect this land

Lorrie Marx-Adams
Windham, Maine

Daniel McFetridge
Windham, Maine

Priscilla Payne
Windham, Maine
Comment: It is time that we take this seriously and the state legislature do their job and stop this.

Brian Skillings
Windham, Maine

Roger Varney
Windham, Maine

Will Wysowski
Windham, Maine

Steve Hoad
Windsor, Maine
Comment: Limited landfill space here in Maine doesn't need to be loaded with out-of-state waste. Or, perhaps, we should start exporting our trash? No. Just stop the dumping, let other states deal with their own.

Vincent Lord
Windsor, Maine

Jessica Bisson
Winslow, Maine

Lawrence Fleury Jr
Winslow, Maine

Paul Gregory
Winslow, Maine

Walter Keene
Winslow, Maine

Christina Rusnov
Winslow, Maine

Robert Woodbury
Winslow, Maine

Brenda Moot
Winterport, Maine

Comment: Make our laws stronger so we don't have to take in toxic construction and demo waste from states that already have laws banning this waste from their landfills. We must protect Maine land and water.

Michael Bowe
Winthrop, Maine

Katherine Freeman
Winthrop, Maine

Carlton Harvey
Winthrop, Maine

Terry Ashton
Wiscasset, Maine

Kayla Bott
Wiscasset, Maine

Melissa Cote
Wiscasset, Maine

Marty Fox
Wiscasset, Maine

Dan French
Wiscasset, Maine

Anna Ridle
Wiscasset, Maine

Kimberly Bridges
Woodville, Maine
Comment: We make too much of our own, let them keep theirs!

Jennifer Gordon
Woolwich, Maine

Paula Harvard
Woolwich, Maine
Comment: Maine does have more than enough plastic in every form...take a look at our grocery stores and our other retail establishments....let's start thinking about how to cut that down. We don't need to help other states before we help our own. Let's start with that. Burying plastic doesn't

make it go away....just out of sight...it's still there for a very long time.

Brey Miller
Woolwich, Maine

Katherine Missal
Woolwich, Maine

Ruth Rogers
Woolwich, Maine

Heather Abbott
Yarmouth, Maine

Anne Ball
Yarmouth, Maine

Judith Coburn
Yarmouth, Maine

Pamela Grondin
Yarmouth, Maine

Jocelyn Grover
Yarmouth, Maine

Ruben Layman
Yarmouth, Maine

Donald Lennon
Yarmouth, Maine

Mary Jane Northrop
Yarmouth, Maine

Christine Oberink
Yarmouth, Maine

Liz Pattison
Yarmouth, Maine

C.Thomas Settlemyre
Yarmouth, Maine

Comment: Maine should not be a dumping ground for out-of-state toxins! There is no incentive for anyone to reduce the amount of waste they generate if you can simply package it up and send it out of state--what you generate should be taken care of where it is generated!

edward simmons
Yarmouth, Maine

Comment: Maine should not become the dumping place for other regions. Stop this today.

Jaime Stowell
Yarmouth, Maine

Laura Creagan
York, Maine

Janet Drew

York, Maine

Comment: Maine's lands & waters are our Most valuable resource, & vital to all ways of life for the people (our other greatest resource) Protect both. Stop polluters & their loopholes. End plastic packaging. Oil Cos want to make more plastics. We literally are eating plastic from fish in the inundated ocean. We can fix this. Will you?

Susan Kepner

York, Maine

Comment: Maine must NOT be a dumping ground for other states waste!!! No amount of money is worth the harm to our environment. Trash of ALL kinds is burying us!!! We MUST be finding ways to make LESS waste and NOT taking it from any other state!!! These dumps very often leech toxins into water ways and on to land that kills vital insects, birds and small animals. Time to CLEAN -UP and mandate more recycling, reusing, and re-thinking what we buy.

Carol Libby

York, Maine

Jessica Masi

York, Maine

Alan McDonald

York, Maine

Comment: Close the loophole allowing out-of-state waste into Maine landfills.

Tarin Quinn

York, Maine

Clorinda Schenck

York, Maine

Comment: What will vacationers think? They won't think, 'Maine, the Way Life Should Be.'

Victoria Simon

York, Maine

Sally Sulloway

York, Maine

Judy Brewer

Hampden, Massachusetts

Comment: I live in Massachusetts and sometimes vacation in ME. I do not support cross-state dumping!

Margaret McGinnis

Hull, Massachusetts

Comment: I am appalled that waste from my state is being dumped in Maine.

Amanda Powell

Marshfield, Massachusetts

Comment: I join in solidarity with Penobscot Nation and local

communities in supporting LD 1639 and an end to filling Maine's landfills with out-of-state waste.

Virginia Camelio

Randolph, Massachusetts

Comment: keep waste accountable and within the state that generates the waste.

steven martin

Salisbury, Massachusetts

Comment: I have worked for decades as a building and renovation carpenter contractor in the north east, from Boston to Portland Maine. We have taken hundreds of tons to the scale at the local transfer station in Georgetown Massachusetts. I have asked, to where is the debris hauled. I was informed, 'somewhere near Oldtown'. I have never felt right with knowing this. Massachusetts should take responsibility, devise and mandate an industry. The heck with exploring Planet Mars; there are problems to tend to right at home.

Sherry Palmer

Rochester, New Hampshire

Comment: I live in New Hampshire, but was born in Maine. Every state should properly dispose of their own waste (mainly limit it!), within their own state. Using another's state resources is selfish and irresponsible. I'm saddened to learn that NH is putting their trash in Maine!

Denise Androvette

Syracuse, New York

Comment: Concern for Maine started with my childhood visits to Bucksport, home of my grandmother. Maine must not accept toxic dump it from other states. Simply wrong

Marilyn Hartman

Austin, Texas

Comment: This is an unfortunate loophole that needs to be closed. Maine should not be the dump for surrounding states, which need to provide for their own waste, some of it toxic. I grew up in Maine and return there for four months every summer to a pristine lake in the northern region, not terribly far from Old Town and the Juniper Ridge Landfill. I support LD 1639. Please pass it. Thank you for your consideration.

Linda hall

Glen Allen, Virginia

Comment: My family has owned property in Maine since 1941 and I feel a strong commitment to preserving Maine's natural integrity and beauty

George Bangs

Norfolk, Virginia

Comment: Owner of property in Maine, and native of Maine.