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Hello,

I am writing to support the amendment to close the loophole that allows out-of-state entities to ship their sludge and waste to Maine. Maine is known for its environmental health and beauty, which attracts residents, tourists and businesses. It is imperative to have the strictest standards to protect Maine's environment, and accepting toxic, noxious sludge from other states is detrimental to Maine's environmental health, to our tourism economy, and especially harmful to those Mainers who live near these stinking sludge dumps.

Accepting toxic waste from other states is a bad idea and the statute should be changed to prohibit this practice. Do we want Maine to smell like Gary, Indiana or New Jersey?

I urge you to close the loophole that would allow out of state sludge and waste to be shipped to our beautiful and currently environmentally healthy state.

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