LD 1265: An Act To Control the Means of Hunting Coyotes

How to Testify

Greetings to each of YOU!

The Statutory language of Coyote's Bill has been issued by the Legislature

AND Senator Miramant expects that the *Hearing for Coyote's bill* will be either Monday, April 12 or Wednesday, April 14

ATTACHED ~ is the STATUTORY LANGUAGE OF THE BILL

So here is helpful Information to *Register and Testify* when the *Hearing is finally* scheduled: (I will notify you when it is scheduled)

I encourage you to READ the following easy guide and WATCH THE LINKS below ~ It will help you be prepared when the time comes

• To provide oral testimony before the committee, REGISTER through the online portal

Visit the Maine Legislature's online testimony portal

Here are easy, step-by-step instructions for signing up to testify on the portal.

- Click on *Public Hearing*
- Select Inland Fisheries and Wildlife from the committee dropdown menu.
- Select date....and time..... from the date dropdown menu.
- Select LD, An Act To..... from the list of bills being considered by the Committee that day.
- Select the "I would like to present my testimony live" button.
- Enter your information and click *submit*. You will receive an email with a link to participate in the Zoom Hearing.

• To provide oral testimony, register no later than 30 minutes prior to the posted start time of the meeting

- You can be sure the process was *successful* when you receive an automatically generated email with the <u>Zoom link for the meeting</u>. No further action is required on your part. <u>Wait until the day of the meeting to click the link to JOIN</u>.
- When you give oral testimony, you do not need to provide a written copy of it BUT I highly recommend you do. So when you are preparing your testimony, create a document of it. When you register to testify there is a place when registering where you can send that document.

To help you feel <u>comfortable in this process</u>, I am sending two links created by the Natural Resource Council of Maine

- The first is a simple guide in writing your testimony how to write and deliver compelling testimony
- The second is most helpful because it will take you through the registering process before you need to do so.
- how to navigate the virtual testifying process

I am here for you if you have any questions. YOUR VOICE IS POWERFUL!

WHAT A TEAM OF AMAZING MAINERS ARE SPEAKING FOR COYOTE!

Warm regards,	
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