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Commissioner David Bernhardt
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Dear Commissioner Bernhardt:

I have heard from many constituents who are concerned about the recent change in the ferry rate structure, particularly, service to Islesboro. I am writing to request that you consider reevaluating the rate structure.

Maine's island communities are a unique part of Maine's heritage. Islesboro currently has over 600 year-round residents who, as a result of this new rate structure, now have to pay more than double what they used to in order to get to the mainland.

I have directed my constituents to reach out to Meghan Russo, Manager of Legislative and Constituent Services for the Department of Transportation, with any complaints they may have. Please let me know if there is a better place for affected citizens to file their concerns.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Michael D. Thibodeau
Senate President