

N.H. Lakes Management Advisory Committee

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The Honorable Kenneth Weyler, Chair
House Finance Committee
Legislative Office Building, Room 210
Concord, NH 03301

RE: HB 311 - AN ACT making an appropriation to the department of environmental services for eligible wastewater projects.

Dear Chair Weyler and Members of the Committee:

The Lakes Management Advisory Committee (LMAC) is writing to express its **support of House Bill 311**, which appropriates money for eligible wastewater projects. Appropriately funding wastewater treatment projects protects the public health and water quality. These in turn protect the monetary value of waterfront property and the utility of our rivers and lakes for recreation and as drinking water sources.

The LMAC is a legislatively created body charged to work with the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) to administer RSA 483-A, the Lakes Management and Protection Program. The Governor and Council appointed Committee is comprised of 19 members representing academia, business, conservation organizations, lake associations, tourism, fish and game commission, marine trades, realtors, municipal government as well as several state agencies.

In conclusion, the LMAC supports HB 311 for the reasons stated above. Thank you for the opportunity to comment. Should you have questions, please feel free to contact me at (603) 366-5531 or jared@cruisenh.com.

Respectfully,



Jared Maraio, Chair

cc: Representatives Bucu, Leishman, Emerick, N. Murphy, and Preece
Senators Bradley and Ricciardi
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