

April 18, 2025



MEREDA ACTION ALERT

Share Your Voice: Submit Testimony in Support of LD 1498! [LD 1498, An Act to Limit Municipal Fees on Housing Development](#)

April 22, 2025, 1:00 p.m. Housing and Economic Development Committee

MEREDA encourages its members to submit testimony in support of LD 1498, An Act to Limit Municipal Fees on Housing Development

Click Here to be Directed to the State of Maine Website to Register to Testify Electronically. <https://www.mainelegislature.org/testimony/>

Below we have provided Talking Points along with Instructions on how to Submit Testimony for a Public Hearing, along with a specific template for Testimony in Support of LD 1498. We hope you find these resources helpful!

A public hearing has been scheduled for the bill on April 22, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. before the Housing and Economic Development Committee.

[Instructions for Submitting Testimony for a Public Hearing](#)

[Template for Testimony in Support of LD 1498](#)





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LD 1498, Limiting Impact Fees

TOP TALKING POINTS

Create predictability in impact fees

Adopts best legal practices for impact fee parameters

Ensures burden on developers is reasonable.

Bill Summary

- Restricts impact fees to infrastructure improvements.
- Require municipalities to have impact fee policy document that describes how town determines if an infrastructure improvement is needed, and how the cost of the developer's share is determined.
- Developer share of improvements or fees limited to infrastructure improvements on property that directly abuts the development.
- Municipality must show that infrastructure improvement is necessary to accommodate the development.
- Fee must be proportionate to developer's use of infrastructure improvement.
- Any fees must be used by the town within 180 days of receipt.

ACT NOW

