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in SUPPORT of

LD 735, Directing the Department of Environmental Protection to Add a Flame  
Retardant to the Lists of Chemicals of Concern and of High Concern

before the Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resources  
Maine State Legislature

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Intro

**When Maine and others banned Penta PBDEs in foam cushions ten years ago, the chemical industry replaced them with “regrettable substitutes”**

Couch study results by % chemical in samples (frequency)

**The Resolve should lead to chlorinated tris (TDCPP), a cancer causing flame retardant, being added to Maine’s list of Chemicals of High Concern**

**The Resolve should be amended to include listing of TBB and TBPH, two other flame retardants that are persistent, bioaccumulative & toxic (PBTs)**

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