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Mr. Jordan Bailey
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Dear Mr. Bailey:

Thank you for taking the time to forward the letter from students who participated in the 2013 Marine Science Symposium *Coastal Marine Habitats and Climate Change* hosted by the Community Environmental Health Lab (CEHL) at Mount Desert Island Biological Laboratory.

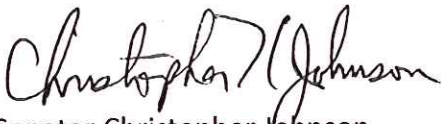
We commend them for their interest and effort on the management of one of our State's most valued resources, seaweed. We suggest they contact the Commissioner of the Department of Marine Resources, Patrick Keliher, and express their interest in continuing to follow the process. In that regard, they might ask to be on the list of interested parties. As such, they would be notified of all meetings and events as the planning for seaweed management continues to develop. To further this, we will forward a copy of the letters received from you and the students to the Commissioner's Office.

As you know, LD 585 **"An Act To Require the Development of a Statewide Approach to Seaweed Management"** was referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Marine Resources earlier this year, made its way through the Committee process, was passed in both the House and Senate and has been signed into law. The Governor signed it into law on Thursday, May 30, 2013. It is now Public Law, Chapter 169.

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We send our appreciation and very best wishes to you and the students.

Sincerely,



Senator Christopher Johnson



Representative Walter Kumiega

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cc: Patrick Keliher, Commissioner, Department of Marine Resources