

To Whom it may concern,

My name is Heather Blow I'm a resident of Sanford. I'm here today to testify against LD 109. I believe giving the option of treatment to those who have been convicted of drug crimes would greatly benefit them. Let's face it people who have been imprisoned of such crimes realistically keep making the same mistakes due to not learning tools to handle their lives without drugs in order to become a successful person of society. I'm a person in recovery and being in treatment and sober living has ONE HUNDRED PERCENT SAVED MY LIFE I wouldn't be the thriving person I am today without it.

Due to treatment and sober living I've mended my broken relationships I now see my daughter I give back to my community and most of all I have the will to live again I see a brighter future for myself it's also taught me to love myself I was so broken before and it's given me back life.

Treatment and sober living is a wonderful gift and everyone willing to participate deserves the opportunity at a better life therefore I'm against this act it would ruin the recovery community if housing was gone we are people's mother's father sisters brother or siblings and for those who have family suffering from addiction know that keeping sober living available to those in need is HUGE we all want our loved ones to recover wouldn't you If put in the situation want the same for someone you love?

Thank you.