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LD 22

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Honorable Anne Beebe-Center, Senate Chair, Honorable Suzanne Salisbury, House Chair, and members of the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety
RE: Testimony in opposition to LD 22, An Act to Impede the Transfer of Firearms to a Prohibited Person

I was born in Maine in 1948. I have been a gun owner since the late 1950s. I have watched Maine go from a state where murderers were rare and were front page news for weeks to a point that we have murders almost daily. Maine always has had high gun ownership and many years ago there were no restrictions on sales. It is not the guns or the honest gun owners that are a problem. It is not enforcing the laws we have against the guilty and piling on feel good laws that only affect the honest person. Criminals do not care about laws. If strong gun laws made a difference Chicago would be the safest city in America. This simply is another law that can make a honest person into a criminal.

Respectfully,

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