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Thank you committee members for your time today. My name is Jamie Arute and I live in Rockwood, Maine.

I am in support of LD 814 the Act to Restrict the Daytime and Nighttime Killing of Coyotes.

I personally have heard accounts of hunters speaking about killing coyotes by having their dogs chase them for many miles, then they rip them apart, killing or leaving the pups in their den to starve to death. This is not ethical hunting. Right now it is a free of all. As an ethical hunter, I would say that even though you can take an animal does not mean you should. Pup season should be off limits.

Giving them a season will allow the pups a chance to survive and be taught how to hunt properly by their parents. This will help with control of rodents, and to keep deer from over consuming on farmland and forest by keeping them on the move. I support ethical hunting 100% and truly believe it is time that Coyote has its own protected breeding season. Thank you