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Madam/ Mr. chair and honorable members of the Judiciary Committee

My name is Karen Hale and I live in Madison, ME. Our county is divided and Angry. When we are angry, we tend to make unnecessary and bad decisions. Not only is the decision to have abortions to the point of birth immoral, but it is also a knee jerk reaction to a change in the Federal law. I want Maine to be seen, as a state, that continually does what is right. Choices have consequences, and ones made quickly are usually not sound. I am a mother of four, I am a veteran, I have had miscarriages, I have a grown child that was born with a severe heart defect. This child grew to become a college athlete, soccer and basketball. This journey is not easy, but every child is precious. Just because you cannot hear the unborn screams and feel the baby pain, does NOT make it right. I want to be a voice, let us open our arms to the joy of holding these babies.