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Senator Anne Carney, Chair
Representative Matt Moonen, Chair
Members of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary

Re: Testimony in OPPOSITION to LD 1619, An Act to Improve Maine's Reproductive Privacy Laws

Senator Carney, Representative Moonen, and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary:

My name is Jessica L. Laliberte. I am a resident of Waterville and a lifelong Roman Catholic. My Catholic faith has always been my guiding principle and moral compass. Life begins at the moment of conception and ends at natural death.

I vehemently oppose **LD 1619, An Act to Improve Maine's Reproductive Privacy Laws** as well as the other two abortion bills **LD 776, Resolution, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine to Establish the Right to Bodily Autonomy**, and **LD 1343, An Act to Protect the Reproductive Freedom of Maine People by Preempting the Field of Abortion Regulation**.

Children are some of our most precious assets. They are also some of the most vulnerable. Many times, in this building, we hear *all lives matter*. LD 1619 is a vile, egregious, and vicious attack on human life.

If passed, this legislation would allow the execution of an innocent, defenseless baby right up until the moment of birth. That is murder. If you support this atrocious bill, you will have the blood of murdered babies on your hands.

Many of the bill's sponsors and co-sponsors oppose harsh penalties on criminal offenders and oppose the death penalty because they believe people deserve a second chance and rehabilitation. LD 1619 ends the life of a baby.

I beg you to do the right thing and vote **ought not to pass** on these bills.