Senator Carney, Representative Moonen, and Honorable Members of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary. My name is Jon Schmidt, I am a resident of Bowdoin, and I am submitting this testimony to express my SUPPORT for LD 1197..

I support LD 1197 because its provisions, in combination with several other pro-life bills currently under consideration, will help to restore common sense safeguards and necessary restraint to Maine's permissive abortion laws.

A woman must be informed very clearly of her right NOT to abort her unborn child, including her right to withdraw a previous decision to do so, without fear of monetary loss (to an abortion provider) or coercion from domestic partners or other influencers.

Please vote OUGHT TO PASS.. Thank you.