

Senator Carney, Representative Moonen and Honorable Members of the joint standing committee on judiciary,

Hello my name is Raychel Ward and I am from Livermore falls, I promise next time I come to testify in person there will be snacks. I again thank you for being here and listening to our voices. I support LD1614.

My support for this bill is not bought or clouded in any way. If a woman is sure of her choice, no ultrasound or waiting period will change her mind. However, the ultrasound and 48 hours required in this bill will allow a desperate woman time to carefully consider her options. As well as the passage of other laws you're hearing today they all come together at one point. That point is allowing true choice and positive information to be provided such as supports and resources available. Information about Safe Haven laws, adoption and parental support available in our fine state.