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LD 780

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Our right to make decisions for our own health, futures, and lives are on the line: ***Please protect everyone's ability to access abortion care and birth control care now.***

- Basic rights shouldn't be up for debate every election year. A reproductive autonomy constitutional amendment would make sure that the rights Mainers have today will be protected in the future.
- Maine people deserve the opportunity to make their voices heard and affirm that the Maine state constitution protects reproductive rights.
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