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Senator Carney, Representative Moonen & Members of the Judiciary Committee, my name is Pamela Wheeler. I am a resident of Yarmouth, ME.

Please vote Ought to Pass on LD 780.

Statement of Support

Women, as full citizens, have the right to maintain control over our own bodies. Forcing women to give birth or carry stillborn children (for that is what denial of abortion is, let's be honest here) violates our basic human rights; puts women's lives at risk.

Putting that right up for grabs each election year, pandering to outsiders, is beyond cruel. In fact this whole thing is cruel – who among you (male I assume) has been through the vicissitudes managing birth control or reproductive issues?

Womens reproductive issues are not simple. What is simple here would be trusting and protecting women, Maine women, to make our own decisions about having families. What is simple would be protecting our right to life-saving medical care. What is simple is affirming this basic human right in our constitution.

Give us the protection we deserve. Please vote Ought to Pass on LD 780.

Thank you.