

Intro

Senator Carney, Representative Moonen, and Members of the Judiciary Committee, I'm Emma Roth-Wells, I live in Georgetown Maine, and I urge you to vote Ought to Pass on LD 780.

Story/Statement of Support

I am a 21 year old woman and I have lived in Maine my whole life. For Maine to explicitly enshrine reproductive autonomy in our state constitution, would give me another reason to be proud to be a Mainer. You have before you a chance to make history and lead by example, a chance to stand with people with uteruses everywhere, a chance to stand on the right side of history.

Everyone should be able to make their own decisions about their reproductive healthcare and how, when, and if they decide to start a family. Opposing this amendment is a slap in the face to people with uteruses both in Maine, and everywhere. This is not complicated, you either believe that all people deserve to have the same rights or you don't.

The rights of half of the population should not be up for debate every four years. I'm tired of lawmakers leveraging the issue of abortion for votes and I'm tired of living in fear that my rights could be taken away with each election cycle.

Conclusion

LD 780 would ensure that the people with uteruses of today and tomorrow have access to life saving healthcare, and that everyone has the same rights. Please, lead by example and vote Ought to Pass on LD 780. Thank you.