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LD 2224

To whom it may concern:

I would like to inform you of my vehement objection to LD 2224. This statute, as proposed, would create victims of thousands of Mainers, especially women, who are the subject of domestic violence, stalkers, and abusers. LD 2224 would leave these women without a means to immediately protect themselves from an imminent threat. For example, under LD 2224, I could not transfer a firearm to a female friend on an evening in which no FFL's are open after her abuser makes threats, leaving this woman defenseless. Very few guns used in crimes have been bought through a private transaction. Most have actually completed background checks for their firearms. So not only does this bill not solve any real problems, it creates a black hole of defenselessness for abused and at risk women.

Thank you for your time.