

Jessica Marking
Norway
LD 2119

To the Judiciary Committee;

I would like to state my opposition to LD 2119. First off, in no way is this an emergency. That is just rhetoric to get it pushed through without the knowledge of the people. Second, this "voluntary" waiving of 2nd amendment rights is literally just a stepping stone to the involuntary removal of 2nd amendment rights. It is unacceptable. The right to keep and bear arms is not something you can legally waive and have enforced upon you. If you don't want to have a gun, you won't buy one. If you are concerned that you might kill yourself with a gun, signing a paper and making it slightly harder to procure a gun, isn't going to stop you. There are plenty of ways to buy a gun without going through the standard routes that would be monitored through this legislation. And, a gun is far from the only way to kill oneself. If someone wants to kill themselves and they don't have a gun handy, they have many other ways to accomplish the task. Also, it seems rather ironic that the this legislation is claiming we have an emergency to save the lives of people contemplating suicide, but other legislation recently passed, against the clear wishes of the Maine people, and even legislation on the table today, is pushing for the expansion of death for profit in our state. This legislation is unconstitutional.
Please vote Ought Not to Pass.