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As a Maine parent and educator, I am asking you to support LD2224 to strengthen background checks and to provide a stronger mental health system for those at risk of hurting themselves or others.

When I think of the regulations we citizens are asked to comply with in getting a driver's license, in volunteering in our schools and non-profit organizations, and even getting licenses for our dogs, background checks across the board for the sale of lethal weapons make total sense. These background checks are supported by the majority of voters in our state.

Improving our broken mental health system for our children and adults is desperately needed. The focus of this bill to support those in mental health crises who can potentially inflict harm on self or others is absolutely critical. We simply must remember Robert Card.

Thank you for supporting LD224 and making our special state a safer place for us all.