

TO: The Honorable Anne Carney  
The Honorable Matt Moonen  
Members of the Judiciary Committee

DATE: March 5, 2024

RE: An Act to Strengthen Public Safety by Improving Maine's Firearm Laws and  
Mental Health System

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Good morning Senator Carney and Representative Moonen,

My name is Betty Olivolo I'm a resident of Kittery. I am testifying Ought to Pass on LD 2224.

I have been a resident of Kittery and York county for more than 10 years, living here because I felt safe-- until I began noticing the increase in gun violence, and now the latest mass shooting in Lewiston. It's tragic that we are allowing this to happen, and extremely important that we do all we can to prevent any more gun violence. With LD 2224, I believe this will bring us on the road to making that happen by expanding background checks for gun sales, strengthening our yellow-flag laws, and establishing a Maine CDC injury and violence prevention program. Locally I'm hoping that LD 2224 will help deter Kittery Trading Post from selling automatic weapons.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,  
Betty Olivolo

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betty Olivolo".