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LD 2224

To members of the Judiciary Committee. Thank you for your service to Cumberland and to Maine. I'm writing to ask you to pass LD 2224 proposed by the governor regarding gun violence.

Also, LD 2238, a 72 hour waiting period is a minimum, a no-brainer and hopefully will pass - the prevention of suicides and homicides will be supported, and police departments will be grateful.

I'm outraged that the continued carnage from semi-automatic weapons is not prevented. Still! I hope Maine can use the carnage in our beautiful Lewiston/Auburn Community to propel our state to be the first to keep military weapons out of the hands of non-military persons. They are killing machines and have no place but a battlefield - and our towns and streets should not be battlefields. Ever.

We are now taking baby steps, small doable steps to get at the elephant taking up the whole room. Please vote to get the elephant out of the room.

Sincerely,
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