My name is Wendy Wright. I live in Bath. My testimony to this committee is that I oppose LD 2283 "An act to enact the Crisis Intervention Order Act to protect the safety of the public".

This act should not pass for a number of reasons:

- 1. First and foremost it does not protect the safety of the public by immediately removing an inanimate object. Guns do not kill people. People kill people.
- 2. The removal of that object does more harm than good by not providing immediate assistance to any party involved in the crisis to address the cause and conditions of the said crisis.
- 3. Definition of Crisis Intervention implies a technique use to reduce or eliminate damage that could be cause by said crisis. This act does nothing to help the people involved nor does it keep the public safe. There are many ways to harm one another.

I have been in a crisis where guns were involved and removing the guns via PFA did nothing to protect me and my family nor the offender as the person was able to immediately attempt and almost accomplish the taking of the persons life.

We must start addressing mental illness and drugs and implement programs to assist our neighborhoods in becoming communities who care for one another. Not another bill to remove guns unconstitutionally. We must start using the laws we do have and provide more resources towards them.

Thank you this opportunity to share my testimony.

Wendy Wright Bath, Maine Wendy Wright Bath LD 2283 Attached please find my testimony opposing LD2283. Thank you, Wendy Wright Bath, ME 04530