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*Testimony of Rep. Jan Dodge in support of*  
**LD 2283, An Act to Enact the Crisis Intervention Order Act To Protect the Safety of the Public**  
*Before the Judiciary Committee*

Good afternoon, Senator Carney, Representative Moonen and esteemed colleagues of the Judiciary Committee. I am Jan Dodge of House District #39, which includes the towns of Belfast, Northport and Belmont. I share this testimony in strong support of **LD 2283, An Act to Enact the Crisis Intervention Order Act to Protect the Safety of the Public.**

Many of my constituents, and those who testified at earlier hearings on gun safety proposals, spoke of the need for an extreme risk protection order law. It would follow that family members would be the first people to be aware of and have concerns for a person that might be a risk to themselves or others.

There has been an increase in the use of the yellow flag law since the Lewiston shooting last October. This shows the need for this path to help loved ones and law enforcement keep Mainers in crisis from having firearms. These individuals may not meet a medical determination threshold.

I believe in responsible gun ownership and support public safety. These two beliefs can coexist. Please vote Ought to Pass on LD 2283.

Thank you.