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To The Judiciary Committee:

I urge you to vote "Ought to Pass" on LD 2283. Maine must enact every possible law to help prevent the countless tragedies that have occurred in Maine due to the inability of family members and police to remove guns from individuals who are at risk of bodily harm to themselves or others.

As a mental health professional, I urge you to act now and resist the opposition arguments that are based on property ownership of guns. The distorted and inaccurate interpretation of the US Constitution's Second Amendment is being used against sane and common sense public policy designed to protect individuals and their many potential gun crime victims.

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