Gary Vencill Prospect, Maine March 3, 2025

Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn and Honorable Members of the Joint Standing Committee Judiciary,

Thank you for receiving my testimony and for addressing this important issue. I am writing in support of LD 260.

It is my impression that the hard-won rights of women, even some thing as sacred in our democracy as the suffrage, are under attack by some extremists. And their influence appears to be growing. So, the enactment of this legislation is not just important to protect the rights of women in Maine, but it is a statement to the nation that in Maine no one's freedom is abridged.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and to share my perspective with the committee. I urge you to vote "Ought to Pass" on LD 260.

Sincerely, Gary Vencill