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I would like the committee to consider several factors when working on this bill. I am concerned that Maine has problems to work on before we can implement the IMPact LD 409. The office of licensing is not carefully scrutinizing the applications for massage licenses. People with fake certificates are getting licenses and opening sex and human trafficking businesses. Maine needs a ethics board for massage therapists to handle claims and to revoke licenses. Legal prosecutions need to be followed up on and is not happening now.

Maine AMTA governing committee has been working on improving our license and would like to consult on this process. The MBLex is not what everyone in Maine uses to get their license right now. There will more confusion. The long term goal of mobility is fine, buy not yet.

It would be good to have state board for massage.