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LD 709

My name is Paula Gallucci and I live in Kennebunk Maine.

I am in favor of LD709 BILL because it benefits those caregivers who do not have the funds for self care services and equipment that can ease their needs as well as the needs of the person they are caring for.

As a full time caregiver to an elderly parent who cannot walk the funds I received allowed me to purchase very expensive items that health insurance didn't cover to make my dad's life at home easier. It allowed me to have massage therapy and a gym membership to aide in my healing of injuries I got from having to mobilize my father and perform clothing and diaper changes. I can't work full time and my father's income is to high for me to be paid through the state as a caregiver. I could never have helped my father or myself in these ways without this funding. Thank you for considering my testimony and for this hearing to consider bringing back the respite funding.