

March 17, 2025  
100 State House Station  
Augusta, ME 04333

**Testimony in support of LD 834 “An Act to Update the State Supplement to Supplemental Security Income”**

Dear Senator Ingwerson, Representative Meyer, and members of the Health and Human Services Committee:

My name is Jenna Deniger. I am a self-advocate, and I live in Cherryfield. I'm a member of Speaking Up For Us, Maine's Self-Advocacy Network. I am in support of LD 834 to increase the State Supplement to Supplemental Security Income.

This is important because I live with a disability, and I have realized that I barely have enough to pay my bills due to today's time and inflation. When the end of the month comes, I'm almost out of money. That makes it difficult to save for emergencies. With the cost of fuel, groceries, and other things that I need not having enough money causes a lot of stress in my life.

I feel this bill is very important because it will not only help me but help others that are in the same situation that I am in.

I ask you to vote in favor of LD 834.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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