

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 Tucker Conley, I am a self-advocate, and I live in Portland. I am 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.

Grocery prices have gone up and Maine’s portion of Supplemental Security Income has not increased. It’s harder to budget when prices are so high. This increase in Supplemental Security Income could benefit people with disabilities to be able to pay their rent, purchase things that they need and participate in community events.

I ask you to vote in favor of LD 834.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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