Kate Liberti Boothbay LD 865

Dear members of the Committee of Health and Human Services,

My name is Kate Liberti, I am a mom of two girls who have both had difficulty breast feeding, with the help of an IBCLC, I was able to successfully breastfeed my oldest until 14 months old and am currently on month 6 with my younger daughter. Given the importance of breastfeeding on infant well being, I am writing to ask you to support LD 865.

All families deserve to have personalized lactation care. This bill will allow all private practice IBCLCs to credential and accept Mainecare. This is incredibly important in allowing access to all Mainers, regardless of income, to access lactation support and to get the next generations of Maine children off to a great start.

Again, I am asking you to support LD 865, IBCLC reimbursement for Mainecare, to provide additional access to IBCLCs and equitable care to all Mainers.

Thank you for your time, Kate Liberti