maryann larson Bangor LD 558

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony.

I am fortunate in that I have had adequate health insurance my whole life and have been blessed to be reasonably healthy and to have escaped the kinds of accidents or serious diagnoses that might have led to having medical debt. My heart goes out to anyone who's faced this issue.

I can't imagine why we'd want this kind of bad luck to cripple someone's ability to rent a place to live or buy a car to get to work etc. The more difficult it is for someone to navigate life in this way the less they're able to be high-functioning citizens of our state.

It seems there are sensible limits/parameters around this issue, so I fervently hope that you will vote for this bill as "ought to pass".

Thank you again for the opportunity.