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LD 887

Dear Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn and Honorable Members of the Joint Judiciary Committee,

My name is Jennifer McNamara, a concerned resident of Tremont. I firmly oppose LD 887 - An Act to Make Manufacturers Responsible for Proper Disposal of Abortion Drugs and Require a Health Care Provider to Be Physically Present During a Chemical Abortion. Medication abortions are extremely safe and effective, and they almost always require no follow up care. Furthermore, serious side effects are extremely rare. There is no sound reason to limit access to this healthcare service to only in-person visits, and criminalizing health care workers for providing this care is unjust. The state of Maine is home to many rural communities. It is not uncommon for low-income individuals to live far from clinics, without dependable transportation. The ability to access life-saving abortion care online, and have this medication delivered to your door, should be a right. I urge you to oppose this bill.