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LD 829

Dear Committee Members, my name is Richard Shapiro.

I live in Brunswick, and I am testifying in support of "LD 829 An Act to Standardize the Laws Regarding the Carrying of Concealed Handguns in State Parks"

Please vote "Ought to Pass" this proposal.

This bill simply removes a loophole that prevents law abiding Mainers, who can carry handguns throughout the rest of the state without a permit, from carrying in state parks.

I would remind the committee that the current provision only impairs the ability of the law abiding to defend themselves, and is no deterrent to either criminals or wildlife.

This oversight in our Constitutional Carry law should be remedied. The limitation serves no purpose and does no good, while being antithetical to our heritage and our constitution.