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Sen. Carney, Rep. Kuhn, Members of the committee, I am Ann Wheeler, I live in Newcastle, and I am submitting testimony in support of LD 1126.

Obviously, serialization of guns is important to trace guns used in crimes and to keep them out of the hands of those with a history of violence.

Unfortunately, unfinished frame guns and 3D printed guns, both of which are unserialized, are turning up in Maine in greater numbers. Maine must pass a strong state serialization law to ensure that all firearms are treated the same. Every firearm, frame, receiver, no matter how manufactured should be promptly engraved with a federal serial number by a federal firearm licensee. This will ensure continued progress in Maine's ability to prevent gun violence while respecting Constitutional guarantees.

We have seen that gun violence and mass shootings can happen anywhere and need to do all we can to prevent it here in Maine.

Thank you for your time and consideration.