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LD 677

LD 677 An Act to Update the Statutory Definition of
"Machine Gun" and Prohibit Possession of a Rapid-fire
Device

Please vote "Ought Not to Pass" on this proposal.

This bill is a rehashed version of last year's flawed proposal, which Governor Mills rightly vetoed. It lacks any legitimate legal or public safety justification and instead seeks to expand the definition of "machine gun" in a vague and arbitrary way that goes beyond established federal law.

Rather than addressing real threats to public safety, this legislation appears to be driven by a political agenda aimed at restricting gun ownership without cause. The included prohibitions are random and unconnected to actual risk, treating Second Amendment rights as something to be eroded at every opportunity.

Federal law has provided a clear and effective definition of "machine gun" for nearly a century, and there is no valid reason to change that now. Maine's lawful gun owners deserve legislation based on knowledge and reality—not fear and misinformation.