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I do not have enough words to express the uncivilized and oppressive nature of this bill, or any of the other bills regarding Abortion laws in Maine. For Maine to even be bringing this up for debate is sickening. Mainers do not want their rights and freedoms taken away. Any Mainer will tell you that, just like every American. Every human will tell you that they will argue for their right to choose, their right to live, to have autonomy over their body, their healthcare. What's being suggested is taking away access to basic healthcare and routine medical treatments and procedures, specifically taking them away from people who are women or female at birth. I cannot fathom why Maine, or the United States in general, is trying to bring our country and lives back in time to when fear and ignorance ruled over. This is not a move that I want our state to make. I want to be proud of the state that I call home. Please, I urge that these harmful bills do not pass, I beg those who see these bills as moral and good to pass into law, look at the world around you. Look at the people around you. Think about someone else. Think about science, not fear. Please try to see reality and find kindness in this time. I fear as I watch this happen so close by. I don't want to see the fall of this nation as I am seeing it fall, and seeing Maine falling into the same descent as those around us is heartbreaking. Please at least consider keeping the people of your state safe, not falling for the trap of hate other states and our country have fallen for, and have caused so much suffering. Passing these bills will cause suffering, pain, death. Signing these into law will be killing people. Remember that. Your fear of murder that you so often and urgently push as the issue, despite that being incorrect, will actually increase the amount of blood that will be on your hands.