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In Opposition to LD1007

An Act to Update the State's Informed Consent Laws Regarding Drug-induced Abortion

Dear Committee Chairs Carney and Kuhn and the honorable members of the Judiciary Committee:

I am Jeanne Marquis from China, Maine, and I am urging this esteemed committee to vote NO on LD1007. This bill is positioned to do more harm than good to women's healthcare. By "Informed consent," they are requiring the doctor to read a statement that is not approved by the medical field and science about reversing a medication abortion.

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) states that claims regarding abortion reversal treatments are not based on science and do not meet clinical standards. Furthermore, the ACOG ranks its recommendations on the strength of the evidence and does not support prescribing progesterone to stop a medication abortion.

This bill is part of a series of nuisance bills put in front of you today that are not based on science or modern women's healthcare. Instead, these bills are intended to take options away from women in order to control them and put barriers in front of their families from advancing ahead.

To many families, decisions to have an abortion is a heartbreaking, devastating time. If the option chosen is an abortion, this should be left up to the woman and her doctor to decide, not up to the legislation or extremists.

I urge you to please vote NO on LD1007. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully Submitted, Jeanne Marquis China, Maine