

Hannah DeAngelis  
Portland  
LD 1351

Good Evening,

My name is Hannah DeAngelis and I'm a current resident of Portland from Readfield, Maine. I would like to strongly oppose LD 1351. I am part of a Jewish family with two small children. We just held a naming ceremony for our youngest daughter at Beth Israel in Bath. Judaism is an important part of our family's culture and my wife's family's history. Opposing genocide by the Israeli government and supporting Palestinian rights is not antisemitic. In fact, we believe that Judaism is not the same as Zionism or the State of Israel and we challenge their conflation. It's important to our family to both be Jewish and stand for the liberation of all people. This act dangerously conflates opposition to Israel with antisemitism. Please vote to oppose this act.