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Senator Bailey, Representative Mathieson, and esteemed members of the Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services Committee, My name is Denise Nemeth-Greenleaf, and I have proudly served at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Kittery, Maine for more than 37 years. Throughout my career, I have faced multiple furloughs, which bring significant uncertainty and stress to families and have a ripple effect on our communities. Shipyard employees are required to work without pay during these times. I have personally experienced a 21-day shutdown, a 16-day shutdown, and even a 35-day shutdown, all of which present severe challenges. The hardships associated with furloughs are incredibly tough to bear, and LD 874 would help alleviate them. Therefore, I am here today to express my support for LD 874.