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LD 1316

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT of L.D. 1316

An Act to Amend the Mandated Reporter Laws Regarding Medical Records,
Additional Information and Immunity

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Honorable members of the Health and Human Services Committee,

My name is Regina Creeley and I am testifying in support of L.D. 1316, An Act to Amend the Mandated Reporter Laws Regarding Medical Records, Additional Information and Immunity.

My residence is in Hudson and I am a retired special education teacher. I am testifying in favor of LD1316. It should be common sense for a medical record to be amended when a mandated reporter provider, is given information that proves their documentation pertaining to suspected abuse is incorrect. However, I personally know of a family that has been greatly harmed by a medical provider's refusal to amend the medical record with this additional information.

LD 1316 will prevent that unnecessary harm from happening. I, also, know another family that was impacted when an accusation was made with child protective services. It was determined to be unfounded but when the mother would apply for jobs it would come up when the potential employer would do a background check. The unfounded accusation would show up. I knew this mother ten years after the initial accusation. The mother had never been able to get a regular job in all that time. She worked under the table and it negatively impacted the whole family.

Please vote ought to pass. Thank you for your service for the people of Maine.