April 9, 2025 100 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

Testimony in support of LD 782 "An Act to Amend MaineCare Financial Eligibility Requirements"

Dear Senator Ingwerson, Representative Meyer, and members of the Health and Human Services Committee:

My name is Jon McGovern, I am a self-advocate, and I live in Bangor. I am also an employee of Speaking Up For Us, Maine's Self-Advocacy Network. I am in support of LD 782, An Act to Amend MaineCare Financial Eligibility Requirements.

Increasing the Asset Limit is important because the way it is now won't help people out. In the long run if people are working this is a way to make sure that people have the services that they need and the care that they need while still being able to make money. Many people with disabilities want to work, they want to save money for their future and increasing the asset limit allows them to do that. It would allow them to purchase things like a vehicle to get to the places they need to go and not rely on others.

I ask you to vote in favor of LD 782.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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