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April 10, 2025

Testimony

(Public hearing, online written public comments)

By Steven Christopher Sheppard (submarine navy veteran ET3, "write-in" Republican candidate for Governor of Maine 2026)

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When I was living in Salt Lake City, Utah I finally got to even see some wild native American Indians. I rode the city bus a lot in the city and I got to see a lot of land while living out west.

I will tell you all this much- the Mormons are hard on Indians still. Poor Indian men sleep on pretty grassy areas drunk most of the time. Most Indian people never say a word to me.

The Navaho and Arapaho are in the city at times; you can tell the differences in Arapaho men- slightly violent yet intelligent brothers. Most Indians do a lot of drugs out west: cocaine especially.

The women like me sometimes talking on the bus, but I couldn't get a date.

I didn't hear much bad news about the Native American Indians in the city while I was out living in Salt Lake. I believe the native brothers and sisters have had enough discrimination for now.

Could you please simply allow them to play online; gambling is fun! I play online every once in a while and win!

I don't think gambling online is very addictive either.

Americans everywhere have been profiling and discriminating Indians for way way too long now. I think the time is right to stop and show them that we do care. Vote Yes! That's a step.

Steven Sheppard Bangor LD 1164

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The time has come! Please stop the racial profiling and discrimination upon these Wabanaki native peoples. I am a Cherokee some and I will admit, people are profiling me sometimes, but I can handle it. I get profiled for being a veteran at times, for being a big man sometimes and of course I'm white.

Those native Americans should have something for fun; I know online gaming is fun. I play online gambling games sometimes.

I just don't think gambling online is addictive; it's fun to gambling online every once in a while. I have won some nice jackpots like that.

Vote Yes!

Steven C. Sheppard