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LD 208

Good Morning Chairman Carney and members of the Judiciary Committee,

My name is Jerry Dodge. I am asking today that you support LD 208, An Act to Eliminate the 72-hour Waiting Period on Firearm Purchases.

Adding additional gun laws onto those laws already on the books will do nothing to make Maine safer. Asking a law-abiding citizen to wait three days to purchase what he/she has every right to purchase is punitive. Waiting serves only to restrict law-abiding citizens from purchasing a gun and carrying it home that same day. Stricter gun laws do not equate to lower crime. We need only look to cities such as Chicago and Detroit with record amounts of crime, to see that they have very strict gun laws. We do not have a gun problem in Maine, nor do we have a crime problem. Don't try to fix what isn't broken.

Please support LD 208.

Thank you,
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