

**To:** The Honorable Craig Hickman

The Honorable Laura Supica, Co-Chairs

Members of the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs

**From:** Carole Boothroyd, Dover-Foxcroft

**Re: LD 1149, An Act to Require an Individual to Present Photographic Identification for the Purpose of Voting**

**Public Hearing; May 2, 2025- Testimony in opposition**

Dear Senator Hickman, Representative Supica, and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs,

I oppose LD 1149 and any other proposed legislation that makes it more burdensome for eligible voters to exercise their right to vote. The State of Maine is rightly proud of being a national leader in voter turnout. Many Mainers have worked hard to achieve that goal. Maine has safe and secure elections, with close to zero voter fraud. Requiring voters to present a government issued photo ID won't increase the security of our elections, but will diminish access to voting for many populations, including low income, senior, rural, disabled, student and Native American voters. LD 1149 is straight-up voter suppression.

I urge you to oppose LD 1149.

Thank you for your service to Maine and for the opportunity to testify.

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