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Dear Sen Carney, Rep Kuhn, and members of the committee, I am Janice Vance and I live in Kennebunk. While Kennebunk is one of the safest towns in Maine, anyone who attends public meetings at our Town Hall, or serves on a town board (as I do) knows there is always the potential for someone to become angry enough at a meeting to disrupt business, threaten others, or actually hurt someone. While we have a police officer present on Election Day, other town meetings are unprotected. Allowing firearms to be brought in to what are fairly tight quarters that often host a crowd, is a recipe for a disaster that cannot be undone. As someone with 18 years of experience serving on land use boards (10 in Maine, 8 in CT), I would be grateful to have our town be able to institute a no-firearms rule in town buildings.