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LD 1743

Sen. Carney, Rep. Kuhn and members of the Judiciary Committee.  
I am Julie Pease, MD and I live in Topsham.

I am strongly in favor of LD 1743 - An Act to Allow Municipalities to Prohibit Firearms Within Their Municipal Buildings and Voting Places and at Their Municipal Public Proceedings.

There is no reason for people to have firearms at voting places or at municipal public proceedings. When individuals other than law enforcement are displaying firearms, it is intimidating and frightening to both children and adults. It does not make people feel secure. In fact, it has the opposite effect.

The bill provides an exception to allow a federal, state, county or local law enforcement office to possess firearms in a municipality's buildings and voting places and at municipal public proceedings within the municipality, if added security is deemed to be necessary.

I urge you to vote "Ought to Pass" on LD1743