Barbara Baker Bradley, Maine LD 1149

Committee Members,

Under LD 1149, I will no longer be able to call my town office to get an absentee ballot sent to me or to my husband. We keep getting older and one day this will no longer be a convenience, it will be mandatory in order to vote as it gets harder for us to move around. What about folks in nursing homes and long term care centers, are they not important to you? I think the candidates who knock on my door to ask for my vote think my vote would say that my vote is important.

It has been in the news that a person has a greater chance of being struck by lightning than to have voter fraud happen in our elections. So why are you asked enact the measures in this bill? "If it ain't broke...don't fix it."

State and Federal law prohibit non-citizens from voting, clearly barred by statutes. This amendment is based on a lie that there is a bit problem here, we already have checks and balances through public challenges. This amendment will reinforce something that is already prohibited in Maine. Just ask Secretary Bellows.

Please vote ought not to pass on LD 1149.

Thank you, Barb Baker, Bradley, Maine