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To Honorable Members of the Judiciary Committee. I am strongly opposed to a new Red Flag Law which would replace the excellent Yellow Flag law. Our current Yellow Flag law is the lawful way to deal with firearm removal with a mental health review, due process and prevents illegal confiscation. I am a Retired Maine State Police Detective and Firearms Instructor who saw first hand that false allegations were made against estranged partners and arguing neighbors. The Yellow Flag Law supported by Maine Citizens works fine when properly used by Law Enforcement but the new proposed Red Flag Law would take away due process and goes against our constitutional 2nd Amendment rights. Please don't try to fix something that is not broken and cave to anti gun advocacy groups that want to disarm private citizens. I pray that Maine Voters will see through this badly worded referendum.