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LD 1646

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To the members of Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee,
My name is Holly Lisett Anderson. I am a Maine resident of Harrington and an undergraduate student at the University of New England. I choose to use my voice today to support LD 1646, An Act to Amend Maine's Good Samaritan Laws Regarding Suspected Drug-related Overdoses.

According to the Maine Monthly Overdose Report, during January to October 2025, officers responded to 706 reported incidents, with 271 reports being fatal and 435 nonfatal. Maine EMS responded to 7,787 reported incidents, where 224 reports were fatal and 7,563 nonfatal. This increased number of reports to EMS show a desperate call for action.

LD 1646 would provide immunity from arrest or prosecution of those calling for assistance during a suspected drug-related overdose. This act would encourage more people to report to their local law enforcement during crucial times. Maine's residents' lives are on the line, please consider voting "ought to pass".

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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