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LD 1383

Dear Sen. Hickman and Rep. Supica, and the members of this State and Local Government Committee,

Thank you for your service for all the people of Maine. As a retired state employee, a faith leader and a person of conscience, I strongly urge you to support LD 1383. It is well documented and established that genocide and human rights abuses are occurring in our name and with our tax dollars abroad and now is the time to direct that our invested funds divest from those responsible for these abuses. Maine has taken similar actions in the past, during the struggle to end apartheid and in response to the genocide in Darfur. It is consistent with Maine values and our commitment to justice that we should lead with our divestment and provide oversight that these funds will be held to a higher standard in the future.

"For where your treasure is, there are your hearts, also." Matthew 6:21

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