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LD 1383

I am submitting this written testimony in opposition to LD 1383. At face value the bill sounds admirable but after researching it appears to be directed mainly at Israel. This reminds me of Portland's divestment resolution passed on September 4, 2024. Mayor Mark Dion characterized his initial vote as a "serious mistake in judgement". Please read Mayor Mark Dion's apology that was read at Portland City Council meeting on October 21, 2024. With the rise of antisemitism in the world, now is not the time to marginalize Maine's Jewish community.

I respectfully urge this Committee to vote "Ought Not to Pass" on LD 1383.