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LD 1383

Thank you members of the committee for hearing us today.

I am writing in full support of LD 1383 to prohibit the state of Maine from investing in and profiting from corporations that abuse human rights. We should not be securing a future for some at the harm of others. Mainers often refer to the state as one small town and it is time we fund ourselves as such; it is time we invest in alignment with our values of peace and safety for everybody who lives here in our community; in this beautiful place that we get to call home.

The safety of our community is important to me and I was horrified to find out that the Maine state pension fund invests in corporations that profit off of human rights abuses. I do not want my tax dollars or my government to contribute or participate in any way to bombing families in Palestine nor the snatching of immigrants off the streets here in Maine or anywhere else in our country.

I strongly recommend that you support this bill and align our investments with our shared values. Thank you for your time.