Senator Carney, Representative Moonen, and Honorable Members of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary:

My name is Kristina C. Parker, and I live in Sidney. I am seventeen years old, and I am a Christian conservative activist. I am also the secretary for the Turning Point USA Kennebec County Chapter. However, today I am here on behalf of myself, and I am speaking up for the unborn children of Maine who cannot speak for themselves.

Making late-term abortion legal in Maine is too extreme and too cruel for its people. Life is a firm morality and it is a right that must not be questioned.

I hope we can all agree that murder is wrong. Murder being, intentionally taking the life of an innocent human being. Abortion kills an innocent, helpless **child**. Therefore, abortion is wrong. There is no reasonable, moral argument to say otherwise.

Nearly 250 years ago, when our nation was beginning its legacy, our founding fathers said that the following truths are self-evident; That all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, those rights being Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness. Voting to pass LD1619 would be infringing on the rights of unborn Maine citizens. It would be taking away their rights for a chance at the American Dream and a life in the land of opportunity.

Please, for the sake of all Maine citizens, born and unborn, reject this drastic bill, LD1619. Thank you for your time, and I welcome any questions.