"Senator Carney, Representative Moonen, and Honorable Members of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary, good morning.

My name is Virginia Farrin and I am a resident of Boothbay Harbor. I am here to testify in opposition to LD 1619 and two other similar bills, 776 and 1343.

Current Maine law already allows abortions for pregnant women who desire one, and allows access for emergency late term abortions. There is <u>no good</u> reason to expand this law.

Gov. Mill's during her campaign <u>did</u> say that she supported the present Maine law also. Was she telling the truth during her campaign when she said "I have no plans to change the current law"? Did she lie by omission. Does anyone change their mind this quickly on a topic such as this? She may not have had a plan at the time, but now she clearly does.

We have been brainwashed to think that abortion is just a clump of cells, and that it does not matter. Viability is not a good argument for abortion. Do we kill all people who are dependent on others for their survival?

The photos included in my testimony are from late term abortions. Can you look at them without weeping? Look at those babies and tell us that you plan to do this to more children. Where is the humanity? Is this another tool for population control and expanded opportunities for Planned Parenthood to traffic body parts?

There are many women's health centers, and pregnancy resource centers in this State that will help women immensely (<u>and</u> support men as well) who have nowhere to turn when they are in this difficult situation. Namely:

First Choice in Waterville
Care Net in Brunswick
Zoe in Rockport and
First Step in Bangor are just a few of the resource centers.

Murder is not the way to go. I am appalled that this bill is before the Legislature in our great State. This is evil and shame on the sponsors.

I will leave you with Matthew 19:14

"Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.'"

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please stand against this evil and vote not to pass on LD 1619.





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