

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

My name is Rachel Chapman of Norway Maine.
I am testifying today in opposition of LD 1619
"An act to improve Maine's reproductive privacy laws."

Neither Political Party can seem to come to terms
on when life begins. However Maine's current law allows
abortion up until the point of viability. I'm sure we can
all agree there is undeniable evidence that what is in
the womb at 24 weeks gestation and on is
undoubtedly a living, viable human being. We cannot
deny the clear humanity of the baby in the womb.

The 14th Amendment, section 1 of the U.S Constitution
states that

"No State shall make or enforce any law which shall
bring abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of
the United States; nor shall any State deprive any
person of life, liberty, or property, without due process
of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction
the equal protection of the laws."

Allowing abortion up until the point of birth is
clearly depriving a young, small person in the womb
of life. It is truly unlawful. Please vote against
this bill. Thank you.