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Thank you for listening to me today.

I do not want Maine to be put on the map as an extreme abortion state because **not** all Mainers agree with abortion. It is time quiet people like me are heard today. I want to give my voice a presence. I say it's enough! I say NO and you should too. What have we become? A society that takes human life as expendable. Humans, including babies before their first breath, must be saved at all costs. We want to be heard and will not be denied our voice.

There are questions that needs to be addressed first:

1. What is the term necessary? That is not defined in the current bill.
2. What is one doctor's opinion as necessary? This is too broad for interpretation.
3. Will this be a free for all? When there is not a risk to the mother or the baby.

We need to look at the reality, what harm is to the human baby. Guttmacher Organization says at 29-30 weeks (7-8 months) the baby feels pain. You need to understand how late pregnancy abortions are performed. They tear the baby piece by piece with no medication to avoid the pain, how cruel is that?

If it is for reasons other than saving the life of the mother, then why is there urgency to end the life of a viable baby? Or have we considered all the variables? **Not** in this bill have any variables been considered. There is no accountability, no provisions for oversight if it is deemed necessary, or if more than one doctors assessment has been made.

Our Governor Mills during her campaign she committed to not changing the existing law. She has gone too far by just crossing out a few lines to amend the current law.

I have a line, and this bill has crossed it.

Remember this is a republic and you work for us.

Those of you who support this bill, I hope you change your mind today, or may God have mercy on you. We need to have all parties do as the **people** want, not their personal agenda or the lobbyist. The only reason they are stating there is a majority that want this bill is because of silent citizens who thought this cannot get any worse. Well as one of those silent voters I am here to express my opinion. I want NO on LD1619. I will not be silent anymore; you have awoken a lion.

Thank you for your time.