

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

My name is Cordula Campbell, and I am a resident of Brewer. I am here to testify in opposition to LD 1619.

Wouldn't we all agree that the Holocaust was deplorable? How could such an atrocity ever happen? It happened by dehumanizing human beings. Looking at history, it was insidious, a slow fade, a pointing of fingers, and, most of all, citizens not rising up and taking the stand that every life is valuable!

If abortion was legal in Germany in 1965, I would not be here. An Army GI from Brewer, Maine, left a young German girl pregnant, which was not in their plans, especially for the young German girl, whose stepfather wanted her to abort.

If I did not have a brave German grandmother who became pregnant by a prisoner of war in 1943, my mother wouldn't be here. Because of the bravery of two young, strong women who chose life, I am alive, my sons are alive, my granddaughter, and beyond!

Please let our beautiful green pine tree state be known for life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, not death and the destruction of innocent lives without a voice. Abortion is a silent Holocaust done behind closed doors. Be brave, stand up for life, and vote no against this deplorable deadly legislation! Please vote ought not to pass.

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