

Senator Carney and Representative Moonen, Honorable Members of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary, my name is Miriam Hawley. I am a resident of Casco and a single, proud mom to 3 amazing teenagers. I am here to testify in opposition to LD 1619.

For days my stomach has been in knots in anticipation of speaking before all of you. But when I envision the murdering of a baby, especially in his or her last days of being in the womb before taking its first breath, I cannot remain silent. If I were in the womb, awaiting birth, I would desperately want someone speaking for my life. As I believe each of you would. Every unborn life has been created in God's image, just as yours and mine have been. God chooses life over each one of us, including our unborn. In agreement with God's design, I ask that you please vote against this late term abortion bill. You will receive God's blessing as you agree with him in His choice for life. Thank you.

Please vote ought not to pass.