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Subject:

LD2237 Ought Not to Pass

## This message originates from outside the Maine Legislature.

Members of the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services:

I am writing to express my objection to LD2237. Primarily I am a staunch supporter of 2A, so I likely know we disagree on almost every aspect of firearms legislation. However, I also object to further expansion of state government. Right now the "Office of new Mainers" is looming. With the "Office of Violence Prevention" yet another bureaucratic office of appointed, unelected officials, overseeing policy that affects all Mainers would be established. Maine has existing laws which, if followed and enforced, provide adequate protection for all of us. Creating another level of bureaucracy is redundant, inefficient, and wastes taxpayer resources.

I encourage you to take a step back. Focus on the import of mental health in this deteriorating state, and resist ineffective attempts to deny law abiding citizens their constitutional rights.

Deb Flot