

Good afternoon,

Senator Bailey, Representative Perry, and members of this Committee, I am Bill Siemerling, I live in Dover Foxcroft, Maine, and I am here to testify strongly against LD 227, An Act Regarding Health Care in the State.

"Lord, God, give me the grace of testimony, that I may find in you the strength to profess your truth to a world in such dire need of it."

I have been told my presence here won't make a difference. The Republicans will vote not to pass and the Democrats will vote ought to pass. So why did I take off a day of work and drive down here? Because people need to stand up to the evil of this world. When that 13 year old girl is allowed to have her body mutilated because she thinks she's a boy and on her 18th birthday realizes she was a woman all along, she will look at the Democrats in this room and wonder why no one protected her. Someone needs to protect our children from this evil. Someone needs to put politics aside and vote with common sense and morals. I spent 26 years in the military protecting those who could not protect themselves and I would die protecting my children. LD 227 creates a legal right to abort innocent children and mutilate our young people. This madness needs to end. Our children deserve a better life than what the Democrats are proposing. Please vote "ought not to pass" on LD 227. Thank you.