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## Testimony of Pete Harring Against LD 227

"An Act Regarding Health Care in the State"

Senator Bailey, Representative Perry, and Members of the Joint Standing Committee On Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services.

I have to say that the way that this bill is being handled is rather sneaky and it sure does look like you are trying to pull the shades over the eyes of the Maine citizens by introducing a 21 page "Amendment" on a Friday afternoon and providing virtually no advanced notice to the Public Hearing for this Bill. This so called amendment is so poorly written and very vague leaving tons of room for interpretation. Not only does it appear to sanction State sponsored kidnapping it also appears to make parents criminals and criminally liable should they object to there children receiving an abortion or gender reassignment surgery as well as allowing out of State access by children without parental consent. The Maine citizens should be treated with more respect from our legislators. These kinds of sneaky games need to Stop.

I fully expect each and every member of this Committee to vote "OUGHT NOT TO PASS"

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God Bless you and may God Bless America.