

Testimony in Support of LD 1126, An Act Requiring Serial Numbers on Firearms and Prohibiting Undetectable Firearms, to the Committee on Judiciary

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Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Emily Huggins, I live in Bowdoinham. I am expecting my first child in June. As I prepare to welcome my baby, I think about the world they will grow up in. Will it be one where our laws prioritize public safety? Or one where untraceable firearms make it easier for criminals and dangerous individuals to get their hands on deadly weapons?

LD 1126 would regulate untraceable guns by requiring all firearms to have serial numbers. Right now, these homemade and 3D-printed weapons are slipping through the cracks, often ending up in the hands of people who would otherwise be prohibited from buying a gun.

I support this bill because every firearm should be traceable and held to the same standards, regardless of how it is made. My father is a responsible gun owner, and he understands that owning a gun comes with responsibilities—including ensuring that guns are traceable and kept out of the wrong hands. This bill is not about taking away rights—it is about closing a dangerous loophole that criminals are exploiting.

I urge you to support LD 1126 to keep our communities safe and prevent unregulated firearms from flooding our state. Thank you for your time and consideration.