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LD: 887 - An Act to Make Manufacturers Responsible for Proper Disposal of Abortion Drugs and Require a Health Care Provider to Be Physically Present During a Chemical Abortion.

Honored Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn, and all members of the Judiciary committee,

I write in support of LD 887. I find that regardless of an individual's opinion on whether abortion should be legal, many would agree this legislation would benefit everyone in Maine for several reasons.

There are many cases of the chemical abortion process causing both physical and psychological injury to women. A remedy to this would be a law requiring a closer eye on these procedures happening. Going through an abortion is traumatizing enough as it is, let alone not having emotional support during it.

Additionally, physical examinations prior to the administration of a chemical abortion are imperative to the safety of the woman. A chemical abortion procedure administered past the appropriate window of time can be deadly and catastrophic to women.

Following the administration of the pill, there can be complications due to the possibility of incomplete expulsion of fetal remains. This can cause infection and damage to the woman's body. This is why our law would do well to require a follow-up appointment after the procedure.

In addition to the several reasons as to why this legislation would benefit women who experience abortions, it would be a net positive for all Maine residents.

Fetal remains ending up in our sewer system can cause blockage and back ups. In addition to those logistical issues, using our public sewer systems as a graveyard for the lives of our unborn citizens is immoral and unnecessarily macabre.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I urge you to vote "ought to pass" on LD 878.