

Testimony in Opposition to L.D. 1823

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My name is John M. Glowa, Sr. I am a resident of South China.

L.D. 1823 is nothing less than political payback to the radical extremists at the Sportsman's Alliance of Maine for their support of the constitutional amendment. Making hunting and trapping constitutional rights instead of privileges has been a national movement for years. SAM has been engaged in this effort for years.

This bill is nothing but a backdoor attempt to make hunting and trapping constitutional rights. Past overt efforts to make hunting and trapping constitutional rights failed when they were considered by the appropriate committee. This is nothing less than an end run. Like the horrible constitutional amendment which supporters claimed had nothing to do with hunting, this bill will even further open a can of worms that one can't even imagine.

Hunting should remain a privilege. Trapping should be banned. This bill should be defeated.