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Senator Deschambault, Representative Warren and members of the Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee,

I am Sue Kistenmacher and I live in Farmingdale, ME.

My testimony is in support of LD 759, The Safe Storage Bill. This bill will amend the child endangerment laws to include certain unauthorized access to loaded firearms.

This is a health bill, narrow in scope and intended to prevent both accidental discharge and injury to children and teen suicide.

Studies show that between 70-90% of guns used in youth suicides, unintentional shootings among children, and school shootings committed by people under the age of 18, are acquired from the home or the homes of relatives or friends.

Let's keep our children safe. Support LD 759.