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As a surgeon who has treated gunshot wounds and who also has seen lifeless children brought to the Emergency Room following a firearm accident, I am in favor of this bill. Safe storage laws in other states have led to decreased rates of firearm injuries and suicide.

I represent the Maine Medical Association and its Public Health Committee. Given the number of firearm deaths in the USA each year (30,000+), this certainly is a public health issue, in Maine as well as the nation. Let's take this step to improve the safety of our children. It will actually help protect all of us.