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Honorable Members of the Committee,

I am writing to you today to urge you to support LD 1130, which would strengthen Mainers' fundamental right to self-defense.

This bill would strengthen law-abiding citizens' right to self-defense any place they have a legal right to be. Victims of violent crime who respond with defensive force on behalf of themselves or their loved ones, would not be threatened by criminal or civil prosecution. This bill would remove the duty to retreat for victims who are defending themselves or their loved ones, outside the home.

I respectfully urge the committee to support LD 1138, and protect Mainers' right to self-defense.