

Testimony submitted on LD 1454

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Please OPPOSE LD 1454

LD 1454 is unnecessary and duplicative of other statutes and regulations. Such devices are rarely if ever used in crimes or shootings, and this proposal is nothing more than an attempt to further infringe upon legal guns owned by law abiding citizens.

First, this encroaches upon federal statutes already in existence regarding such guns and is a bare faced attempt to unnecessarily expand that at a state level;

Second, criminals do not care one iota about Maine or federal laws and will not follow them, as has been shown time and time again by criminals ignoring laws of any type;

Third, crime committed by such devices are rare, if ever, used in crimes;

Fourth, this would criminalize any citizens and taxpayers in Maine that already own and use such devices safely and legally; and

Fifth, the Constitution of the State of Maine clearly prohibits this infringement.

This Committee should vote **Ought Not to Pass** on LD 1454

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