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My name is Richard Shapiro and I am from Brunswick.

Please vote 'ought to pass' on LD 1052.

We need this legislation. As Governor Mills demonstrated, when she originally excluded gun stores from essential businesses at the beginning of the pandemic, the government currently fails to recognize or honor our constitutional rights during an emergency.

This is a situation that has also occurred in other states, where governors have, by unconstitutional fiat, banned the possession of firearms during states of emergency such as hurricanes.

To point out the obvious, emergencies are what the constitutional right to bear arms is for. Disarming the law abiding (goodness knows that criminals are never disarmed when these things happen) exactly when they might need to defend their lives is a shocking abuse of our citizens.

Since the government conveniently forgets this constitutional right at the drop of a hat, it needs to be prevented from doing so.

Thank you.