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

My name is Cam Shannon. I live in Yarmouth. I am here today in support of LD 1170: An Act Regarding Unauthorized Possession of a Firearm in a Correctional Facility. This is a reasonable, commonsense measure that will protect the lives of law enforcement, corrections officers, and inmates.

Anyone will tell you that extra guns in corrections facilities are a bad idea. Unauthorized, unaccounted for, unnecessary firearms have no good purpose there. At best they are useless. At worst they imperil law enforcement officers, corrections officers, and inmates.

Please allow Maine's law enforcement officers and corrections officers to protect themselves and inmates. Please vote "ought to pass".