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LD 696

To the Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee  
RE: LD 696 - An Act To Prohibit Solitary Confinement in Maine's Corrections System

I am writing to support LD 696.

You have already heard many of the reasons why this bill as amended should be passed. You have heard facts and figures, first hand experiences, evidence based options and professional recommendations as to why Maine is better than this barbaric treatment known as Solitary Confinement but also known by many other terms which are in effect, the same.

Solitary confinement, no matter what name it is referred to by, is just plain wrong. As stated in previous testimony "By supporting an end to segregation/solitary confinement, you are supporting the wellbeing of human beings, you are supporting the end to unnecessary suffering , and you are creating a safer Maine community." and I might add at tremendous human and financial cost to families and communities by not passing this most important bill.

Thank you for your devotion to making Maine---the way life should be!  
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