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LD 1721 An Act Regarding Dignity for Women in Correctional Facilities

Before the Criminal Justice Public Safety Committee February 18, 2022

Senator Deschambault and Representative Warren and other distinguished members of the Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee, I am Randall Liberty, Commissioner of the Maine Department of Corrections providing testimony neither for nor against LD 1721.

During the first session of the 130th Legislature the DOC worked closely with Representative Talbot Ross and others on this bill. The sponsor is aware that we are interested and willing to work with her and others to find agreement.

We look forward to doing this work outside committee and reporting back, hopefully with a mutually agreeable amendment.

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