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My name is Nicholas Sevos, and I am a resident of Searsport, Maine. I am a somewhat recent transplant to Maine, having moved up from Rhode Island in 2021 to escape the draconian laws imposed upon the people of that state by their so-called representatives; I was drawn to Maine by the spirit of independence, common sense, and appreciation of liberty that I had experienced on every visit and seen in Maine natives that I served alongside as an active duty US Army Infantryman for six years with two tours in Iraq. I have only recently become aware of several gun control proposals making their way through committee, and I would like to speak on these proposals; additionally for the sake of simplicity you will notice this preamble in each piece of written testimony I submit so apologize for the partially duplicitous nature of my comments.

The concept of punishing those who would knowingly and willingly provide weapons to a "bad guy" isn't a terrible one, if that "bad guy" is bad in a way all people would agree, such as a child molester or mass murderer. The issue here is the potential for abuse of this concept. There needs to be a specific list of violations or categories of persons that are prohibited within the text of this bill, not just an allusion to another piece of legislation. Once that is done, the merits of that list can be debated.