Diane Vernesoni Topsham LD 60

Dear Senator Beebe, Rep Salisbury and members of the Criminal Justice and Public Safety committee,

My name is Diane Vernesoni, and I live in Topsham.

I would like you to vote against LD 60, An Act to Require 72 hours Waiting Period After the Sale of a Firearm.

Sometimes people need help immediately. If a woman or a man is being threatened with harm, they need help sooner, rather than later. There are too many stories of women who could have been saved if they had only had a gun. They have an abusive partner who would rather see them dead than with anyone else or even free from them. They should be able to get a gun for their protection before it is too late for them. The Second Amendment of the Bill of Rights in our Constitution gives us the right to "bear arms." This is a right or power listed in the Constitution of the United States. There is no time limit involved. Under the 10th Amendment, no power stated in the Constitution can be altered or taken away by a state. The Legislature of the State of Maine cannot and should not pass this bill.

Thank you for your consideration.