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LD 227

I am writing regarding LD227, which is still shown as a blank "concept draft" as of 7:40 a.m. on the day of the hearing. By repeatedly posting blank bills and then pushing them through committee, those in power in the Maine legislature are proving the disdain they have for those they claim to represent. While these legislators may be representing well the special interests they favor, the common citizens are shown one insult after another.

In general, I would ask any committee to vote in OPPOSITION to any bill that has not been presented to the public with adequate time to comment before a scheduled public hearing.

For this bill in particular, I also ask committee members to OPPOSE its passage. It is an assault on Maine's families, religious hospitals, and traditional Judeo-Christian values. It would represent Maine shaking its fist in the face of God and His principles. It violates the full faith and credit clause in the U.S. Constitution by stating Maine will not recognize even court orders that attempt to bring minor children back to their families in their home states.

Thank you for your consideration.