

Dear Members of the Committee,

I am writing to express my firm support for LD 227, which aims to enhance access to gender-affirming care and reproductive health care for all individuals. I firmly believe in the importance of creating an inclusive healthcare system that addresses the diverse needs of our community.

As a resident of Maine, I understand the importance of establishing a healthcare system that embraces diversity and caters to the unique needs of our residents. While I may not have personal experiences with gender-affirming care and reproductive services, I am steadfast in my belief that every individual deserves equal access to high-quality healthcare.

The provisions outlined in LD 227 resonates with the principles of equality and nondiscrimination, embodying the core values of our society. By supporting this legislation, we take a significant step towards fostering an environment where individuals, regardless of their background, can access the care that they deserve.

I kindly implore the committee to contemplate the positive impact that LD 227 can have on our community and to support its passage. This legislation is an essential stride toward creating a healthcare system that serves the needs of all individuals.

Thank you for your time and consideration of my testimony. I believe that by supporting LD 227, we can work together to create a healthcare system that truly serves the needs of all individuals.

Sincerely,

Stephane Bouley