

To Chairpersons the Honorable Senator Donna Bailey & Honorable Representative Joseph Perry, Sr.,  
And the Honorable Members of the Health Coverage, Insurance & Financial Services Committee:  
Comments Regarding LD 227, An Act Regarding Health Care in the State Amendment &

PROPOSED DRAFT COMMITTEE AMENDMENT REPLACING CONCEPT DRAFT:

LD 227, An Act Regarding Health Care in the State

March 5, 2024

I am against this bill, LD227. I **urge you to vote "Ought not to pass."**

**LD truly is, intentionally, about parental rights.** With this proposal, the State of Maine is removing parents, their responsibility and authority from their children's lives. This bill is intentionally or unintentionally creating the state government as god and authority over lives. The state government has no responsibility, therefore no authority, over our individual lives or children's lives. We, the people have given the state government authority under the constitution, but this bill is one more removal of our God-given, constitution-given rights by declaring that this law creates a "right." Since when does the government make better choices than parents for their children? What spirit is behind the idea that an institution can steal our rights by declaring the institution's overreaching rights. Who is "right?"

**This bill is declaring that the unborn has no authority in saving their own lives BUT a minor has the maturity and presence of mind to determine whether they want to be sexually mutilated and hormonally mutated for a lifetime.** How many adults have regretted their childhood decisions and wished that they had been stopped? **As a society, we have rightly determined that children cannot be responsible for their actions. Their parents must accept that responsibility. We are not giving children health rights with this bill. We are legally wiping out parental rights. Abused children taken from their parents are in the court system for years before the government decides to terminate their parents' parental rights. With this bill and amendment, you are wiping out the parental rights of countless moms and dads in our state and others to provide for their children. This is not a bill to protect health rights. This is a bill to transfer rights from parents to the state. This is not American. This is barbaric.**

**Who is right? Who decides? The State of Maine? NO!**

I honor and respect you and know that you are concerned about people. I recognize your commitment to what you believe and know that you respect those who disagree. No one ever wakes up in the morning and says, "I think I'll be wrong, today." Thank you for listening to hearts. **For the love of freedom, please vote "Ought not to pass."**

Respectfully submitted,

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