

Alex Titcomb  
Bowdoin

Senator Claxton, Representative Meyer, and members of the joint standing committee on Health and Human Services,

Today I write to ask you to vote ought to pass on LD 287: An Act to Require Electronic Benefits Transfer Cards To Be Printed with the Beneficiary's Photograph.

While I understand the logistics and expense of creating such an initiative, I believe it will benefit the Maine people that receive these benefits as well as all Maine tax payers that fund these programs. In the long run it will save money. Fraud happens, cards are stolen, traded or sold for other goods or services that are deemed more desirable than the benefits that are meant to be used for. Many times, they are handed over for such things like prostitution and drugs. This is not what the Maine taxpayer ought to be providing their hard-earned money for.

The assistance should be protected for the rightful recipients and for the rightful purposes of such benefits and a photo on the card will do this.

I hope all of you will uphold your duty as representatives of the people and really take this bill into honest consideration and not just waste everyone's time by pretending you are listening and care about those on these programs and/or the taxpayer. This bill should be 100% Ought to Pass Vote!

A Concerned Citizen,  
Alex Titcomb