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Senator Ned Claxton , Representative Michele Meyer and the Members of the Committee On Health and Human Services.

My name is Pete Harring from Washington, ME. I am not a lobbyist or a member of any special interests group. I am an American citizen and a resident here in the Great State of Maine.

I come to you today to ask that you vote "Ought Not to Pass" on LD 1344, "An Act To Clarify the Authority of the Department of Health and Human Services during a Public Health Emergency" This bill only increases control over the People taking us further away from the Representative form of Government we are supposed to have. Our own State Constitution insures that all "Power inherent in people"; all free governments are founded in their authority and instituted for their benefit; they have therefore an unalienable and indefeasible right to institute government, and to alter, reform, or totally change the same, when their safety and happiness require it." It clearly states that "ALL POWER" is inherent in the people. This never ending State of Emergency is bad enough without input and guidance from the Legislators that We the People have appointed, now you want to give UN-elected bureaucrats endless powers to decide fine amounts and license suspensions. This is unacceptable, as well as unconstitutional.

Thank you for your time, and I respectfully ask that you vote "Ought Not to Pass."

May you all have a Blessed day. Pete Harring