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To: HHS Committee

I urge you to support LD 1392.

Maine has a serious and tragic gun violence problem. Burying well over 100 Mainers every year as a result of gun violence is traumatic for the families involved and requires substantial resources from health care professionals and law enforcement officials who respond to gun shootings.

If we are ever going to move beyond the highly emotional pro gun, anti gun arguments that characterize too many gun bills, we must understand the facts underlying this epidemic. Regardless of your perspective, we should all want our policy makers to have the most complete and accurate facts before voting on any legislation. LD 1392 is a good faith attempt to get you the facts so you can make informed decisions about how best to address gun violence in Maine.

Please support LD 1392. Thank you for your consideration.