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The title of this bill indicates that it would include only 'citizens' of Maine. I wonder if this is intended to exclude undocumented individuals in Maine, and as a retired nurse I find it unacceptable to exclude large sections of our population from medical Care. Covid has certainly taught us that we are all better protected when everyone has access to care. The people who may be excluded if only citizens receive medical Care, are most likely Frontline workers who work in food preparation, service industries industries and other occupations that interact with all of us. We know that people without insurance coverage of any kind delay medical assessment resulting in delayed treatment and worse health outcomes. Now we know that those decisions by uninsured community members and workers can affect all. Let's start protecting all Mainers