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To whom it may concern,
My name is Pam Conklin. I have been an RN since 2003. I am married and I am a mother of 4, and moved to Maine over 8 years ago to provide a better environment to raise my children. I am in favor of the proposed legislation because I have experienced an adverse reaction to the covid vaccination.

I currently reside in Fort Fairfield. I have been a homecare nurse for 4 years. I love taking care of our elderly population in Aroostook County. It was for this reason that, despite my religious beliefs, I chose to be vaccinated. I received my second dose of Moderna's mRNA vaccine January 30, 2021. Just 2 weeks later, I started to have rashes and uncontrollable itching all over my body. At times, my face and body itch so severely that I must take large doses of antihistamines. I have had gastrointestinal issues, insomnia, muscle pain and headaches. These are all signs and symptoms of an allergic reaction, although I am experiencing them day and night. I also began having severe anxiety and chest pain in the coming weeks and months. I have had some workup by my primary care physician, and he admitted that he has seen similar reactions to the vaccine, although some much worse. Some basic workup revealed no cause for the constant reactions. He advised against taking any covid booster vaccinations, although he is unwilling to provide an exemption due to the political pressures he is receiving from his organization. It is for this reason, that if this legislation is not passed and further covid boosters are mandated, I will be resigning from my position and moving out of the area. I urge you to pass this legislation and give us the opportunity to review the data before requiring further covid vaccinations.

Sincerely,
Pam Conklin RN, BSN, CMSRN