Dear Health and Human Services Committee:

I am writing in strong support of LD 867 to pause Covid Vaccination Mandates for five years to allow time to assure safety of the vaccinations. These vaccines use new technology and, in response to Operation Warp Speed, did not go through rigorous long-term safety testing and as such the potential long-term effects are completely unknown.

I would like to add my personal experience to those who testified at the January 11th hearing. Almost everyone in my family is vaccinated with at least two doses. Three of them, previously in good physical health, suffered clotting and heart issues after vaccination. A beloved sister-in-law suffered a series of three stokes, the final of which caused her untimely death. A month later, my brother-in-law, had a cardiac emergency and surgery due to a blood clot that blocked 90% of a major artery. My 34-year-old niece was rushed to the emergency room due to heart issues following vaccination. According to the CDC, "Since April 2021, increased cases of myocarditis and pericarditis have been reported in the United States after mRNA COVID-19 vaccination..." (Clinical Considerations: Myocarditis after mRNA COVID-19 Vaccines | CDC) Other life threatening injuries from the vaccinations that CDC acknowledges include, blood clotting, Thrombosis with thrombocytopenia syndrome, anaphylaxis, and Guillain-Barre Syndrome. (Selected Adverse Events Reported after COVID-19 Vaccination | CDC) CDC reports these effects as rare and mostly mild. With its effect on three in my family alone, it certainly is not rare and death is not mild. As of January 7th, the CDC's VAERS system has collected reports of over 170,446 serious adverse reactions, including almost 38,000 reports of permanent disability and 21,000+ deaths. Search Results from the VAERS Database (medalerts.org) Even though CDC declares these reports do not show causation from the vaccination, neither do they provide proof that there was no cause and effect. On January 12th, CDC posted that through monitoring, they identified nine deaths caused by vaccination. Selected Adverse Events Reported after COVID-19 Vaccination | CDC While this is a small number in comparison to the reports, CDC admits that it is an ongoing assessment. Due to shear numbers, CDC staff to report ratios should tell us that the conclusive data on serious side effects is not complete.

While CDC information on injury may be limited, other groups have been compiling verifiable data on vaccination harm. A group of 500 Canadian Scientists and medical professionals recently presented convincing evidence that the Pfizer vaccination causes harm. The Pfizer Inoculations Do More Harm Than Good (rumble.com) I hope you will watch this video. A UK group has compiled over 1000 published studies linking the vaccinations to harm. Find that list here. Covid Vaccine Scientific Proof Lethal – SUN (saveusnow.org.uk)

Is it ethical, moral, human, or patriotic for a person, an agency, organization, or government to compel another person to submit to a procedure that has even a possibility of serious health risk, including death? Our history, as citizens of the United States, would tell us unequivocally No! It is not who we are. The US participation in the development of the Nuremberg code and later

response to atrocities such as the Tuskegee Experiment tell us our country does not support human experimentation. I hope our Maine Legislation agrees. (Since Comirnaty is not available in the US, all covid vaccines are still experimental under the EUA.)

I understand the fear of Covid and the desperate desire to grasp onto a solution in the form of Vaccination. However, please consider that just because the Covid disease is undeniably bad, does not mean that the Vaccination is unequivocally good. Just as it would be unethical to withhold a vaccine from someone who requests it after informed consent, it is unethical to mandate it to someone who does not want it based on potential risk to personal health.

As a country teeming with brilliant scientists and physicians, we can collectively and through collaboration work to assure we are developing a disease response that is undeniably safe. LD867 is a step in that direction and will allow time for safety evaluation and development of safety proven protocols.

Respectfully

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Attached file.