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Re: Testimony for LD 867

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Chairperson Ned Claxton, Chairperson Michelle Meyer and Esteemed Members of the Health and Human Services Committee (Joe Baldacci, Margaret Craven, Collen Madigan, Anne Perry, Marianne Moore, Jonathan Connor, Abigail Griffin and Kathy Javner),

My name is Amanda Krantz and I am a nearly 20 year resident of Westbrook and a lifelong Mainer. I am submitting testimony in support of LD 867 and I urge you to vote Ought to Pass on LD 867 to prohibit mandating the COVID 19 vaccination for at least 5 years.

I have significant concerns regarding the safety of the COVID 19 vaccinations. Although we have short term data since use began in December 2020 – there is no medium or long-term data specific to any downstream side effects. The studies on pregnant and nursing mothers is ongoing and there are no long-term studies regarding the impact on fertility in women or children – the most concerning aspect to me given that I have two girls (ages 11 and 13).

There is no replacement for a longitudinal studies and it is impossible to assess the medium to long term impact in the short term, regardless of whether a vaccine is approved by the FDA or not. There are many instances where a product/medication has received FDA approval only to be pulled from the market after additional safety data is acquired.

This leads me to my last and final point, which is that we MUST protect our right to informed consent and protect the residents of the State of Maine against involuntary participation in medical experimentation. We must ensure that all residents of Maine have the ability to refuse a medical procedure without fear of negative repercussions or discrimination such as employment termination, refusal of goods or services and/or exclusion from public or private school. I ask that you vote Ought to Pass on LD 897.