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Senator Claxon, Rep. Meyer and committee members, I am in favor of LD867 passing. I am an RN/FNP of 35 years experience. When the governor mandated the experimental covid 19 vaccines for all health care workers in Maine , I was very upset. As a nurse, I know that many years are needed to determine safety of any new drug or vaccine. And I have a sincere personal , religious belief , yet my request and appeal for religious exemption with reasonable accommodation from MDI Hospital was appeal for religious exemption with reasonable accommodation from MDI Hospital was denied. I was in angst for 2 months. I went against my moral beliefs and got the J and J vaccine, so I would not be fired from my job, and be prohibited from unemployment per Gov Mills. And now we see that I may not be considered fully vaccinated!! The fully vaccinated and boosted are getting infected and transmitting covid 19! Many in hospitlas are fully vaccinated and boosted! ALL the 1,300 health care workers out last week with covid are FULLY VACCINATED!! So what is the point of mandating these vaccines!! Shame on the leaders in Maine not recommending prevention and early treatment for covid-19 here in Maine. Maine. Many lives would have been saved.

Maine is over 70% fully vaccinated for age 5 and above. This is a very high level!! These vaccines should be a CHOICE, not a MANDATE.

Please stop the mandates for 5 years!!

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