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LD 246

I am writing in support of LD 246, which seeks to provide sentencing alternatives for primary caregivers. Through personal experience, I have seen the devastating effects of incarceration on individuals and their families, resulting in lasting generational trauma. Extensive research has highlighted the crucial importance of preserving family bonds whenever possible. By passing this bill, courts will be able to exercise discretion in considering alternative sentencing options that account for the far-reaching consequences of incarceration on caregivers' children and other dependents. For this reason, I urge you to please vote 'out to pass' in favor of this bill and keep Maine families together. Thank you.