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LD 922

I VERY STRONGLY URGE you to vote OUGHT NOT TO PASS on LD 922, An Act to amend the procedure for filing a petition to terminate parental rights and responsibilities. I not only say NO, but ALSOLUTELY NOT. The "state" often steps in and decides they know best "for the children" when they indeed do not. Are there parents out there who struggle with being parents, yes. But helping them and taking their children away from them are two very different things. And, yes, sometimes you have to walk a mile in someone's shoes BEFORE you judge them. I am very afraid of putting that into the hands of the government. I think we have the government way too much in our lives already. IS this a good move in some circumstances, MAYBE. But to make such a sweeping law creates, for me, an issue of a bureaucratic approach to parenting which is not good for either the children or the parents. Please leave the parenting to the parents. Vote OUGHT NOT TO PASS on LD922. Thank you!