Michaela Loisel Hallowell LD 677

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Senator Carney, Representative Lee, and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary:

My name is Michaela Loisel of Hallowell Maine. I write to you today about LD 677-An Act to Update the Statutory Definition of "Machine Gun" and Prohibit Possession of a Rapid-Fire Device". As a lifelong Mainer from a family of Hunters, I support the constitutional right to own firearms. As a Unitarian Universalist who believes in the inherent worth and dignity of every person, I believe there is far too much access to extremely dangerous firearms that are typically utilized for times of war.

I believe LD 677 should become law as it will help reduce the proliferation of weapons too frequently used to kill people in this country. We should honor the memory of the many victims and survivors of the Lewiston shooting by supporting stronger gun safety measures.

Please consider the welfare of all people as you vote on this measure. I urge you to vote yes and support LD 677.

Respectfully,

Michaela Loisel Hallowell