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Re: LD 1007, An Act to Update the State's Informed Consent Laws Regarding Drug-Induced Abortion

Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn and Honorable Members of the Joint Judiciary Committee

I appreciate this opportunity to address you on this important matter. My name is Anne Gallaudet. I am a resident of Scarborough, Maine. I am writing *in opposition* of LD 1007.

This bill is supporting unproven and unethical medicine. It is not scientifically supported. It is NOT possible to reverse the effects of a drug-induced abortion.

See: <https://www.acog.org/advocacy/facts-are-important/medication-abortion-reversal-is-not-supported-by-science>; <https://www.acog.org/advocacy/facts-are-important/medication-abortion-reversal-is-not-supported-by-science>

One study had to be curtailed because of this finding:

We could not estimate the efficacy of progesterone for mifepristone antagonization due to safety concerns when mifepristone is administered without subsequent prostaglandin analogue treatment. Patients in early pregnancy who use only mifepristone may be **at high risk of significant hemorrhage**.  
[Emphasis added]

[https://journals.lww.com/greenjournal/abstract/2020/01000/mifepristone\\_antagonization\\_with\\_progesterone\\_to.21.aspx](https://journals.lww.com/greenjournal/abstract/2020/01000/mifepristone_antagonization_with_progesterone_to.21.aspx)

Further, there is unlikely to be a scientifically rigorous study because few women are interested in a reversal. That is, no study can be properly done without a statistically significant number of women actually seeking a reversal. If you go to a doctor to obtain an abortion, you are mostly likely interested in getting an abortion. Few women are cavalier about obtaining an abortion; instead, they have thought long and hard about one of the most important decisions they will be making in their lifetime.

This bill, if passed, will only heave a world of hurt on pregnant individuals at a vulnerable time based on pseudo science. Moreover, passage will cause further burdens on the medical profession at a time when funding is being cut back and Maine hospitals and physicians are struggling to meet the needs of Mainers. This bill burdens the medical profession with time-consuming unscientifically and unethical obligations at a time when our doctors already face inordinate burdens and financial strain, taking

them away from providing necessary medical care to Mainers, and unjustifiably interferes with a pregnant person's right to reproductive health care and bodily control out of only personal belief.

The obvious intent of the bill is to interfere with a woman's right to control her own body and her right to decide her own medical care with her health care provider without unwarranted interference of the State.

We have lost our communal empathy for others; we are wrongly full of judgment and managing our neighbors' lives.

Thank you for considering my comment. Please vote "ought not to pass" on LD 1007.

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