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LD 1009

Subject: Support LD 1009 - Restores Second Amendment Rights

Dear Legislator,

I urge you to support LD 1009, "An Act to Restore Full Civil Rights to Possess Firearms to Persons Previously Convicted of Certain Nonviolent Felony Crimes." This bill rightfully reinstates Second Amendment rights for individuals who have served their sentences for nonviolent felonies, recognizing that the right to bear arms is not a second-class right.

The Second Amendment, like the First, is a fundamental liberty (Heller, McDonald, Bruen). Denying restored rights to nonviolent offenders is akin to permanently silencing their speech or religion—unthinkable for First Amendment protections, yet it mimics what Speaker Ryan Fecteau is currently engaging in, and he will be ruled against. LD 1009 helps corrects this injustice, aligning with Maine's Constitution (Article I, Section 16) and ensuring equal treatment of constitutional rights.

Please vote yes on LD 1009 to uphold fairness and Second Amendment freedoms.

Sincerely,
Joshua Jacques