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

Thank you for the opportunity to address the Committee.

My name is Anne Callender and I am a resident of Portland, and I am writing on behalf of humanity and protecting the most vulnerable.

I am in opposition of the bill before the committee today.

Maine state law has allowed doctors and patients to safely give and receive the care that is needed. This bill will cause great harm to health care providers by not allowing them to provide a standard of care that is legally allowed in the state of Maine. As medical facilities continue to close and leave communities without medical options, we cannot allow bigotry and discrimination to eliminate healthcare. This is overreach by individuals who are not being harmed by this medical care, nor are they looking to benefit from this medical care. They should have not place at the table because it doesn't concern them. This amendment will only cause harm to a medical system we all rely on.

I urge you to vote "Ought not to Pass" on this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to share my perspective. Don't let hate have a home here in Maine.