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I am strongly opposed to LD 1930. Though violence against pregnant women, or any woman, is indeed a concern, this bill is in reality a ruse to redefine a zygote as a human being. It is the first step towards outlawing abortion in the state of Maine. Following the logic of this bill, if a zygote is a human being, then abortion is murder.

A zygote is not a human being by any scientific or common sense standards and should not be defined as such. Instead of trying to redefine life, it would be better to actually work towards preventing violence against pregnant women, most of which is committed by a domestic partner. Men are the real cause of violence against women. This bill would be yet another assault on a woman's bodily autonomy. I urge you to vote ought not to pass.