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LD 1378: An Act to Protect Maine Communities by Enacting the Extreme Risk Protection Order Act

Please vote in opposition to this proposal.

The events leading up to the Lewiston shootings, as researched/published within “The Independent Commission to Investigate the Facts of the Tragedy in Lewiston,” illustrate that the existing Yellow Flag law did not work because the proper authorities at both the Army National Guard and the Sagadahoc Sheriff’s Office did not follow up on credible concerns of the shooter’s character and behaviors. Forcing this proposed red flag law on the people of Maine is NOT an acceptable substitute in the wake of any refusal to utilize the yellow flag law leading up to the Lewiston shootings. Additionally, Maine’s yellow flag law was utilized at least 580 times just between October 2023 and January 2025. To cherry-pick the failure to enact the yellow flag law on Robert Card as a means to push for a red flag law, while also considering the law’s other successful utilizations, falsely places further blame and scrutiny on responsible gun owners.