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LD 1269 ought-NOT-to pass as written as it includes categories of discrimination which would be unsupportable both financially and physically for some dwellings.

Physical and mental disabilities present unique challenges to housing owners as many dwellings in Maine are not suitable for modification to accommodate some physical and mental disabilities. Mental disabilities may present the greatest challenge as children may be affected by vocal or physical displays unmanageable by medications, thereby affecting the living condition of other residents of the housing unit.

There are housing units that are specifically targeted to your population. Unfortunately, the same cannot - to my knowledge - be said for the child population who live with their parents. This may present an opportunity to provide housing that would accommodate this group with new construction.

Thank you.