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I support paid family leave for Maine because caregiving is often an unexpected need for so many families. Being available to provide care for our loved ones is the right thing to do. It's unfortunate to worry about keeping our job or losing wages due to a family member needing care to stay at home.

When I was working I needed to take time off to help my father who was dying of cancer. He checked out nursing facilities, and decided to stay home as long as he could. I was fortunate to have family medical leave so I didn't worry about losing my job. Being able to help care for my father was the right thing to do.

Please support LD 1964. It would set up a planned program to support family members that require support and job security, if need to become a caregiver for a loved one.. life changes quickly and medical emergencies could occur at unexpected time. As an older adult, I hope my children will be able to take time off to help me, if needed in the future. It's the right thing to do.