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Currently, Maine law allows the governor to extend an emergency <u>declaration</u> every 30 days, absent a vote from both house and senate to terminate it. The Legislature may step in at any time, but the last year has shown us that politics will inevitably play a role. So, with a one-party rule in Augusta, a state of emergency, and the expansive executive power that comes with it, continue in perpetuity. This is dangerous for Maine and does not represent the people of Maine.

What is the point of having state reps if they are not hearing the people of Maine and advocating for Maine's people?

I am asking the state reps to endorse and support <u>LD 1039</u>, sponsored by Sen. Keim of Oxford which would require a majority vote by the Legislature to continue an emergency every 30 days, but would also allow legislators to nullify specific emergency orders with a two-thirds vote, something that is not possible today. Thank you.

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