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Dear Members of the Committee on State and Local Government,

My name is Liliana Thelander from Bristol, ME. Thank you for considering my testimony. I am an American naturalized citizen born in Venezuela.

We have lived hard circumstances for a year now and to add to that the continued declaration of a State of Emergency over and over by our Governor without input and guidance from the Legislators that We the People have appointed to represent our best interests is unacceptable, as well as unconstitutional.

I am asking that every elected state lawmaker, starting with those serving in this committee, take proactive measures to protect the citizens and businesses in this state so that any future State of Emergency will be carried out in a responsible manner. There should be time restrictions in place, and we need our state legislators involved in the decision making. For the past 22 years the dictators in Venezuela have been making unilateral decisions. It is very sad to see that happening here. People look at this country as a sanctuary of freedoms, hope and dreams.

Please support this bill LD 1039 with voting OUGHT TO PASS to prevent this overreach from happening again.

Respectfully, Liliana Thelander