

Testimony in Support of LD 1383 An Act To Require the State To Divest Itself of Assets Invested
in Corporations That Contribute to Genocide and Human Rights Abuses

To: Co-Chairs Senator Baldacci and Representative Salisbury and members of the Committee
on State and Local Government

From: Adrienne Horne

Hearing date: January 21, 2026

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I don't want our state money to be complicit in human rights abuses here at home and around
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feel how important it is for every person and every institution to not remain complicit in genocide
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Thank you for considering my testimony and for all the work you do. I hope you join me in
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