

April 5, 2021

**To:** The Honorable Members on the Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs

**Subject:** LD 1061 *An Act To Protect Minor Political Parties That Seek Official Party Status*

My name is Richard Coshow of Bridgton, Maine, and I submit this testimony in support of LD 1061 *An Act To Protect Minor Political Parties That Seek Official Party Status*.

Providently, every Mainer of voting age is afforded a vote and a voice in our great Constitutional Republic.

Mainers should not be required and forced into only one of the two major parties when neither represents their view, ideals, or beliefs.

By supporting this bill, we will give more Mainers more choices, and a way to become more engaged in the State and more politically involved which is better for our society.

I strongly encourage this committee vote "Ought to Pass" on LD 1061 *An Act To Protect Minor Political Parties That Seek Official Party Status*.

Thank you for your time,

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