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Dear Senator Hickman, Representative Supica, and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Veterans and Legal Affairs,

I am writing to encourage you to vote ought not to pass on LD1149 - An Act to Require an Individual to Present Photographic Identification for the Purpose of Voting.

This is a voter suppression effort that would make it harder for low-income individuals and women to vote. Furthermore, eliminating absentee ballots and decreasing the time for early voting would disenfranchise many Mainers who require more accessibility for voting. There is no evidence of the widespread voter fraud used to try and implement such legislation, this is meant to suppress voter turnout, when our democracy relies on hearing from every voice.

Thank you for your time and consideration.