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LD 1149

Dear Senator Hickman, Representative Supica and members of the Veterans and Legal Affairs Committee my name is Judy Gove and I am from Camden, ME. I am here to ask you to vote ought not to pass on LD 1149 and send this measure to the ballot where voters can reject it.

I am a senior citizen and rely on absentee voting and use of ballot box outside my town office. i had surgery last year and would not have been able to cast my vote in person. Absentee voting allowed me to exercise a critical responsibility as a US citizen...to cast our vote! There is ample evidence and data that demonstrates that absentee voting and use of ballot boxes is free and fair. I applaud efforts and laws that make voting more accessible. I believe LD 1149 will have the opposite effect and make voting much more difficult or impossible for many seniors and those with disabilities or illness. Please vote ought not to pass and allow voters their voice on a referendum in Nov. 2025. Thank you for your service and consideration.