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Oppose Non-Physician Abortions!

NO on LD 1261



An Act to Authorize Certain Health Care Professionals to Perform Abortions

**Public Hearing Wednesday, May 1 at 10 AM,
Cross Building, Room 220**

The long-standing "Physician Only" Abortion law in Maine is under attack and at great risk of being overturned unless you, your family, friends, and neighbors act to oppose it now.

If enacted, LD 1261, *An Act to Authorize Certain Health Care Professionals to Perform Abortions*, would allow Advanced Practice Registered Nurses and Physician Assistants to perform abortions in Maine. ([LD 1261](#)) The bill is sponsored by Speaker Sara Gideon, and often referred to as the "Governor's bill."

Save the Date!

LD 1261 is scheduled for Public Hearing on Wednesday, May 1 at 10:00 AM in Augusta, Cross Building, Room 220, before the Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services.

Maine's extreme abortion industry continues to demand even "more access" to elective abortion. According to a law suit filed by Maine Family Planning and Planned Parenthood of Northern New England, in Maine District Court in 2017, removing the "physician only" restriction would allow abortion in Maine to be committed evenings and weekends, and would be more *convenient* for women, especially women from Northern Maine who sometimes may have to travel a

couple hours *round trip* to have their elective abortions. Say what? What about the safety of Maine women? Aren't the abortion activists always claiming to be "pro-women?" How is reducing care considered "caring?"

We need every single pro-life person to contact your legislators NOW and urge them to oppose LD 1261. We need you to contact persons within your circle of influence and urge them to contact their legislators as well in opposition of LD 1261. This is not progress; this is devolving into the future.

Talking Points Opposing LD 1261

*We want lawmakers to **enhance** the safety and well-being of Maine women and children, **not reduce** the standard of care by removing Maine's long-standing "Physician Only" abortion law.*

Medical safeguards are not inequities.

According to the FDA, the Abortion Pill has killed 22 women in our country and injured thousands of others with severe complications year after year. According to Maine CDC, the abortion pill now represents 46% of all abortions committed in Maine.

Maine women deserve better than the introduction of a bill mandating a reduction in care, especially when Maine is one of only two states in which the number of deaths exceeds the number of births.

This bill is not about access to early abortion, but an increase to abortion.

Unfortunately, over the past three years, abortion access has sky rocketed in Maine. In 2016, Maine went from having 3 abortion clinic sites (Planned Parenthood in Portland, Maine Family Planning in Augusta, and Mabel Wadsworth in Bangor) to 20 abortion sites as reported by the media (BangorDailyNews.com2-29-16) with the introduction of chemical telemedicine abortions offered at all 17 of Maine Family Planning sites statewide.

Stop LD 1261 in its tracks!

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Please join us at the Public Hearing on May 1st. Provide testimony in opposition of LD 1261. We cannot let this abortion-increasing bill ever be enacted in Maine!

ALSO---

Update on LD 820 (the Tax Payer Funded Abortion bill)

LD 820 came out of the Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services Committee with a *Mixed Report*: 8 in favor/5 opposed. The bill sponsor is trying to secure 'immediate funding' of the bill by releasing Emergency Funding through the Dept. of Health and Human Services. Tell your legislators to oppose this outrageous use of time and funding to bring forth such an egregious bill that would force tax payer funded abortions...LD 820 could be voted on anytime between now and the end of the session. Contact your legislators AGAIN! NO on LD 820 and NO on LD 1261!

Stop the radical abortion lobby! Now. Together. For LIFE.

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