

**Honorable Members of the Judiciary Committee**

**My name is Lewis Corriveau. I am a resident of Sidney and a member of the Sidney Selectboard. I request that you vote against LD2238: An Act to Address Gun Violence in Maine by Requiring a Waiting Period for Certain Firearm Purchases.**

**As a law-abiding citizen, I also hold a valid Resident Permit to Carry Concealed Handgun issued by the Maine State Police. To acquire this permit, I completed approved classes, background checks and was fingerprinted.**

**Having purchased firearms legally, being cleared through the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICBCS) each time, I have never been delayed or denied my purchase.**

**Now if LD2238 is passed, myself as a law-abiding citizen, I will have my Second Amendment rights infringed upon with yet another regulation.**

**If the reason for adding a waiting period is for a more in-depth background check, that is a false thought. Per the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearm (ATF) website, the FBI conducts the same NICBC.**

**Even if the FBI was to delay through the NICBC system for an “additional review”, federal law allows up to three days for completion and then the transfer of possession can continue to the purchaser.**

**The ATF website has 13 pages dedicated to the existing Maine laws concerning firearms. So how does adding another restriction, such as a**

**waiting period, upon law abiding Maine citizens make any fruitful changes to the issues?**

**What about increasing funding to the Sheriff's Departments, The State Police and to the Municipal Police Departments to assist in the enforcement of the existing 13 pages of Maine firearm laws listed by the Bureau of ATF.**

**I finish with my request again, please do not support LD2238 An Act to Address Gun Violence in Maine by requiring a Waiting Period for Certain Firearm purchases.**

**Thank you for your time.**

**Sic semper tyrannis**