Joan Churchill Community Clinical Services, Lewiston, Maine LD1955

I urge you to support LD 1955. I am the CEO/CFO of Community Clinical Services, a federally qualified health center in Lewiston, Maine where we provide healthcare services to 14,500 patients annually. We provide pediatric dental services to over 2,400 children annually who have Medicaid insurance. We do not provide dental care to adults because, frankly, our primary adult population are the least likely adults in Maine to have dental insurance. A dental benefit of even \$500 a year would go a long way to allow adult Medicaid members to have preventative dental care and address cavities, etc. This is clearly an economic development investment in Maine's people so that they may work in the retail and service industries, where looks matter. CCS would be able to expand our dental services to adults if this LD passes.