**Subject:** Petition for the Legislative review of Proposed Rules: MaineCare Benefits Manual, Chapter 21, Section III, Allowances for Home and Community Benefits for Members with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism Spectrum Disorder and Chapter 21, Section II, Home and Community Benefits for Members with Intellectual Disabilities.

March 7, 2016

Senator Brakey, Representative Gattine and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services,

My name is *[name],* and I live in *[town/city]*.

*[Insert paragraph about your relationship to a person or persons with intellectual disabilities or autism (your story)].*

*[Insert comments about the proposed rule changes. (Common concerns include: that the rule overvalues the Supports Intensity Scale and undervalues the Person Centered Planning team process; that the Supports Intensity Scale results may not match support needs; that having only three service packages does not meet individual needs; and that the Qualified Extra Support Services with its restrictive staffing requirements appears unable to actually meet extraordinary needs.)]*

*[If you would like, provide any additional comments – make any points that resonate for you or your family.]*

I appreciate the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

*[Name]*

*[Contact information]*