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day after the horrific mass shooting in Lewiston, I returned home from  
Washington to be with my family and community, and I called for the ban of  
weapons like the one used when Rober Card killed 18 of my neighbors and wounded  
13 more in the deadliest mass shooting in Maine and the&nbsp;</span><a  
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style="color:#111;line-height:21px">&nbsp;<span style="color:#111;line-height:21px">&nbsp;</span>this policy in the past. It's not  
easy to admit being wrong. But I believe I was. If the killer had  
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February 15, an estimated 3,000 Americans have died from fentanyl overdose as  
Mexican cartels continue to exploit the chaos at our overwhelmed border. In the  
same period, an estimated 1,600 Ukrainian soldiers and civilians have died in  
Putin’s war of aggression and territorial expansion.</span></span></p> </div>  
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my full remarks at the press conference </span></em><a

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Our bill provides law enforcement and courts the time needed to regain operational control at the border and start clearing the backlog of asylum seekers, and supports American manufacturers as we send weapons and ammunition to Ukraine — reducing the risk that a future Congress will have to send American troops to fight on European battlefields tomorrow.

We are calling on our colleagues to live in the real world with us, where Congressional inaction has real consequences. We’ve pointed fingers and played the blame game enough. It’s time for us to come together.

Attending the annual Fishermen’s Forum

Every year, Mainers from across the entire state travel to Rockport for the Fishermen’s Forum — a three-day event where stakeholders, educators, and others meet to discuss the state of the industry. I made the trip this past weekend, and had great conversations with members of the Maine Lobster Union and New England Fishermen’s Stewardship Association.

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