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This is absolutely shameful. I have spent 25 years working with children. I have seen countless children be bounced back to family members who continue to put them in harms way, I have witness the egregious developmental delays that occur as a result of being taken from safe loving foster homes back into dangerous and abusive situations. Not only does the mother get a chance and then the father gets a chance then they get a second chance and a third chance and before you know it this child has missed crucial time to develop emotional regulation, self calming, and social skills. Not only is the child bounced from home to home. They are bounced from school to school. All evidence based research indicates this is detrimental to the child. Why does the child have no rights? We are only concerned about the adults rights? I visit schools throughout the state of Maine providing consultation to regular education teachers when we see spikes and behavior that are occurring for foster children. They are almost always directly correlated when they had to do visits with their biological parents. The children are literally crying out for our help with their behavior, and we answer by saying “sorry the adults who based you have rights, but you don’t”? Children deserve stability, safety and love. Bills like this set a dangerous precedent by ignoring the science and research in the fields of child development and adverse childhood experiences. Please carefully consider the rights, safety and lifelong outcomes of the child when you put all your focus on the parent’s rights and none on the wellbeing of the child.