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LD 174

Senator Rafferty, Representative Murphy, and members of the Education and Cultural Affairs Committee:

I oppose LD 174 (An Act to Restore Religious Exemptions to Immunization Requirements) and LD 727 (An Act to Repeal Certain Immunization Requirements for Schools). These bills will weaken Maine's school immunization laws and pose increased risks to the health of Maine's communities.

As a school nurse, I have dedicated my career to caring for our youngest and most vulnerable population. Immunizations are crucial to children's health, protecting them from preventable and debilitating diseases.

I urge you to vote against LD 174 and LD 727 (which is exceptionally vague) to protect the health and well-being of all Mainers.