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LD 1704

I, Holly Williams, a resident of Levant, am submitting testimony AGAINST LD 1704: An Act to Prohibit a School Administrative Unit from Adopting a Policy That Allows a Student to Use a Restroom Designated for Use by the Opposite Sex.

As a parent of a queer son, I know that if this bill is enacted, it will hurt Maine students.

This bill hurts trans kids by removing the right to use a bathroom that aligns with their gender identity. Let's be clear. This bill, like the rest being proposed this session, have nothing to do with sports or restrooms. It's a way to ban trans people from having the same rights every human should have. In fact, bills like these are trying to make trans humans appear to not be human at all. If you treat people like creatures, then other people will, too. Just like how the Nazi regime treated Jewish people like animals, like white supremacists treat Black and Brown people like animals.

How about you start dealing with the issues of your constituents like food insecurity, lack of housing, and substance use problems? Stop wasting our time and start doing your job.

Oh...one more thing...this bill is unconstitutional since it is discriminatory against the basis of sex.

This bill helps absolutely no one.

Thank you for your time and the opportunity to share my perspective with the Committee. I urge you to vote "Ought not to pass" on this bill. Thank you.