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LD 1432

I strongly oppose LD 1432. Maintaining gender identity as a protected category under the Maine Human Rights Act is essential, particularly in light of recent legislative efforts targeting trans kids and trans women. As someone who advocates for the rights and wellbeing of all people, I believe we must protect our trans and queer community members rather than create harmful divisions. Our focus should be on fostering understanding, acceptance, and support—values that strengthen our communities and uphold human dignity. Protection under the law provides crucial safeguards for those who face discrimination and marginalization. I urge you to oppose LD 1432 and continue Maine's commitment to protecting the fundamental rights of all individuals, regardless of gender identity.