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Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn, and Honorable Members of the Judiciary Committee,

My name is Nikki Williams, and I'm a resident of Portland. I am writing in opposition of the bills before the committee.

As a parent, I know that these bills would hurt Maine schools and communities. Schools should create a supportive environment where every student can receive an education, feel safe to be themselves, and participate in school activities. Students should be able to decide for themselves what name to use within a safe school environment and parents should follow the lead of their children rather than the other way around.

Thank you for the opportunity to share my perspective with the Committee. I urge you to vote "Ought not to Pass" on these bills.

Thank you!
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