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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.

In 2025, why would we want to take rights away from people? These bills are huge steps backwards. As a state, we should be ensuring that all Mainers have equal rights and protections under the law. Bills that discriminate against transgender students violate both state and federal constitutional guarantees of equal protection.

Gender-affirming care should be decided by an individual person with their doctor and medical providers. This is not something that should be decided by politicians. We need to get politicians and discriminatory policies out of exam rooms so that people are free to make the medical decisions that are the best for themselves.

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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