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As a parent, grandparent, and educator, I know that this bill would leave ALL girls vulnerable to scrutiny and harassment. This ban would invite any person to call for an invasive or traumatizing “gender check” on any girl who wants to play sports if they think she is “too tall” or “too strong.” Bans embolden spectators, community members, and fellow competitors to bully and harass girls by accusing them of being trans. If this bill passes, it will become another weapon for bullies to use against girls in Maine. Any attempt to enforce this ban blatantly violates the privacy of all Maine women and girls. This ban will cause fear, distrust, and confusion for students, families, and educators.