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Dear Members of the Judiciary Committee,

My name is Jaime Van Keuren, and I am writing today to strongly urge you to vote **"Ought Not to Pass"** on **LD 868**.

This bill is a direct attack on transgender individuals and their rights, particularly the rights of trans youth to access medically necessary care and live freely and safely as themselves. These types of policies do not protect anyone. They only serve to isolate, stigmatize, and endanger an already vulnerable population.

Transgender people, of all ages, deserve access to the same rights, protections, and medical care as everyone else. Gender-affirming care is supported by every major medical association in the United States. Attempts to block or restrict this care are not only dangerous, they are cruel.

Maine has long been a place that values fairness, privacy, and dignity. Bills like LD 868 do not reflect those values. They endanger real lives and send a message of exclusion.

Please reject this harmful legislation and vote "Ought Not to Pass."

Thank you for your time and service.

Sincerely, Jaime Van Keuren