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LD 1432

Senator Carney, Rep. Kuhn and members of the Judiciary Committee Committee:
My name is Kathleen Glennon and I am a resident of Topsham, ME (6 Kestrel Dr.) and I am testifying in opposition to LDs 233,868,1002,1134and1704. I submit this as a member of my Unitarian Universalist faith tradition which firms and promotes justice, equity and compassion in human relations and the inherent worth and dignity of every person. I am a member of the Unitarian Universalist church of Brunswick and MUUSAN, the Maine UU state Advocacy Network which supports legislation which embodies these values.

I believe these LEs should NOT become law because they are simply WRONG. They dehumanize people and benefit no one. It is unconstitutional to ban trans athletes from playing sports; Banning trans children is harmful to all girls and women; Banning trans children from bathrooms and other places creates prejudice and fear that any child could be required to have their genitals examined or undergo a DNA test which is invasive and traumatizing. And even DNA may not be reliable.

I want ALL children to thrive and all children to have the opportunity play sports with the teams that best reflect their gender identity.

I urge you to vote NOT TO PASS on LDs 233,868,1002, 1134 and 1704. I also urge you to support any bill which prohibits DOXING or outing of students. Thank you.