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As a parent, grandparent, and educator, I know that these bills would leave ALL girls vulnerable to scrutiny and harassment. These bans 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

Bans embolden spectators, community members, and fellow competitors to bully and harass girls by accusing them of being trans. If these bills pass, they 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 makes using a bathroom as a transgender girl unsafe and subject to bullying and scrutiny.