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LD 868

Dear Judiciary Committee Members,

My name is Wayne Simmons and I live in Ellsworth, Maine.

I am writing to oppose LD 868 and all the bills being heard on May 8, 2025 because these bills all discriminate against transgender girl athletes in elementary school, high school and college-level sports. These bills send a message that all girls are inferior to all boys in all sports, and that is just not true. Additionally, enforcing these bills will put all girl athletes through intrusive inspections that pose greater dangers to Maine's girls. These bills do nothing to protect girls or improve women's sports. Maine has long protected its LGBTQ community against discrimination. Now is not the time to roll back those protections. I urge you to vote NO on all of the following bills: LD 233, LD 380, LD 868, LD 1002, LD 1134, LD 1337, LD 1432 and LD 1704.

Thank you.