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Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn, and Honorable Members of the Judiciary Committee, thank you for this chance to address the Committee. My name is Sarah Hamill and I am a nurse living in Gray. I am writing in opposition of bill LD 380.

My teenagers have grown up with transgender kids, who are among the dearest of their friends. As a parent of teenagers and as a nurse, I am deeply invested in both the emotional and physical wellbeing of all of our children. My investment in them is not conditional upon the children's identities. This bill takes our commitment to providing youngsters with the care they need and deserve and makes it conditional upon political whim. I would feel ashamed to live in a state that treated its youth in this manner.

Mainers have a long, proud tradition of independence and allowing one another the freedom to live as we are. Let us continue to uphold that tradition for all our people.

Thank you for the opportunity to share my perspective with the Committee. I urge you to vote "Ought not to Pass" on this bill. Thank you!