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Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn and members of the Maine Legislative Judiciary Committee, I am Mike McClellan and I live in Raymond, Maine. I am a former Maine State Rep. (125th -127th) and I am writing as I am away when you meet on this bill. I am fully in support of Rep. Caruso's LD 868: An Act to Ensure Equity and Safety in Athletics, Restrooms, Changing Rooms and Housing at Elementary, Secondary and Postsecondary Schools.

I believe Maine has dodged a major problem to this point as I watch around the country to states with elected leaders who find their personal agenda is more important than the health and safety of citizens, of their children. People have been hurt in other states be it physically or emotionally because government doers not follow simple common sense that has been around forever. It is a matter of time before Maine too will be confronted with serious issues.

Maine's people clearly want this done, educators and other institutions are looking at you with fear because they know what is right and their elected majority leaders are stopping them from do it. This legislation and other bills here today can solve the problem.

If these bills get blocked by the majority, it will be a matter of time before we have a public issue to deal with. I also believe after mismanagement of Maine monies, this will become the election issue and the people will move to make it whole.

Thank you for your service. Mike