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To Members of the judiciary committee and all,  
Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony against these hateful bills which seek to erode human rights.

Each of these bills are abhorrent and should not be passed. They are a blatant violation of human rights. That is, ALL human rights. If any group of Mainers rights are being infringed upon at any time, every Mainer's rights are being infringed upon. This means if we are not all experiencing equal freedoms to live- none of us are. This should appall every single person regardless of gender identity or orientation, and beyond.

ALL Mainers deserve dignity, respect and human rights. It is abhorrent to think we would allow a fascist authoritarian regime to bully our state into violating the inalienable rights of all of its humans.

Sports and recreation are meant to challenge oneself, improve quality of life, partake in a team building activity, and harbor community bonding. This should not be restricted to who can enjoy those rights. This cannot be reserved for any single or set of groups or "genders" This should be a right for every human- child or adult.

These bills are designed to erode rights for all of us. Gender is a made up construct to control us and divide us.

ALL human rights are protected and enshrined in our constitution.

We should work for a future that improves the lives of all, and allows for more opportunities for everyone. These bills attempt to do the opposite.

These bills only hinder upon human rights and are a disgusting attempt to control people. They do the opposite of providing equity and safety by excluding people who are simply trying to exist and thrive in an ever-divisive world. The human rights act is to protect all of us.. eroding any of this is a betrayal to all of our fellow mainers and fellow humans.

Trans rights are human rights. Every human should defend these.

Thank you for the chance to share my perspective. I urge you to vote "Ought not to Pass" on all of these bills. For the dignity and respect of your own human rights, for your children and grandchildren's rights and for all fellow humans, vote no to protect us all.