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LD 233

Testimony in Opposition to LD 233; LD 380; LD 868; LD 1002; LD 1134; LD 1337;  
LD 1432; LD 1704

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Dear Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn, and Honorable Members of the Joint  
Standing Committee on the Judiciary,

My name is Megan Michaud, and I am a parent of three children. I am also involved  
in my local school system, and I am opposed to the bills before the committee today.

I care deeply about the well-being of all kids in my community and across our state.  
I'm very concerned about the negative impact these bills would have, and many  
others will speak in detail about those consequences in their testimony. I want to  
highlight three points:

First, these bills not only pose future risks, but the very act of debating the rights of  
trans kids and adults—including rights they have had in Maine for many  
years—causes real harm in the present. We have kids in our communities whose  
safety is at stake. When the "adults in the room" question their humanity, it can and  
does lead to stress, sleepless nights, fear, and depression, or even verbal or physical  
threats from others.

Second, most of these bills single out children who happen to be transgender. But  
they are children first. Our job as adults is to support and protect them, not make them  
feel targeted or excluded.

Finally, several of these proposals would also negatively affect cisgender girls. I do  
not want my daughters subjected to invasive questions about their gender or bodies  
simply because they happen to be tall, for example.

Please vote against these bills. Every child deserves to feel safe, supported, and  
valued. And every trans person deserves a community where they are welcomed and  
respected.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,  
Megan Michaud  
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