

Against LD 1337, LD 1432, LD,1002, LD 1704 and LD 380:

Dear Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn, and Honorable Members of the Judiciary Committee:

I am writing to you as a deeply concerned parent and as a proud advocate for my son. My son is transgender, and like any parent, my greatest hope for him is that he can live in a world where he is safe, valued, and free to live his truth. Unfortunately, this anti-trans legislation threatens not only his rights but his fundamental dignity as a human being.

These laws do not protect children, they harm them. They deny young people access to essential medical care, erase their identities in school, and tell them that they do not belong. As a parent, I have seen firsthand the strength and resilience of my son, but I have also witnessed the distress and fear caused by policies that seek to undermine who he is. No one should ever feel that their government is working against them.

I urge you to stand on the right side of history and vote against any legislation that strips trans individuals of their rights. Protecting trans youth means listening to medical professionals, respecting their identities, and ensuring that they have the support necessary to thrive. Maine has long been a state known for its fairness, inclusivity, and protection of individual freedoms—let's keep it that way.

Trans rights are human rights, and every person deserves the opportunity to live authentically and without fear. I ask you, as lawmakers, to prioritize compassion, equity, and the well-being of all your constituents. Please reject this anti-trans legislation and instead work toward policies that protect, uplift, and affirm our most vulnerable youth.

I urge you to vote Ought NOT to Pass on bills LD 1337, LD 1432, and LD 380.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter. I hope you will consider the profound impact your decisions have on families.

Sincerely, **Tracy Solak, Berwick, ME**