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I am a concerned citizen watching with horror the kidnappings, detentions, deportations taking place in this country and now increasingly in Maine, with detentions mounting up in my own Lincoln County (which isn't even home to a significant immigrant population). I am witnessing lives being ruined, people living in fear, families broken up, jobs being lost. These are not criminals who are being scooped up. They are the hardworking people who feed us, clean up after us, and often do the jobs Mainers won't do. They aren't disappearing by accident. They are being taken with help from our own trusted institutions, and unless we pass this bill and resist, they will continue to disappear. Please pass LD1259 to prohibit state and local law enforcement agencies from entering into contracts with federal immigration enforcement authorities that deputize local police to act as immigration agents.