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My testimony is in support of LD 1259:

The priority of the Maine Legislature must be to support the safety and health of our residents. Law enforcement must ensure that Maine residents can access health care facilities, police stations, town offices, courts and schools without fear of retaliation; maintaining these free spaces protects us against catastrophic impacts on public safety and public health.

Our Maine resources are already stretched to the limit. We do not have the budget to train Maine law enforcement in the complex and ever-changing area immigration law. We need to protect our law enforcement agents from liability in the event that they follow federal orders that are potentially illegal.