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This written testimony is submitted regarding both LD 1259 and LD 1971. Any possibility of local Maine police forces working with ICE and being deputized to carry out the bogus 'policies' of ICE is unconstitutional and unacceptable. We as tight knit Maine communities do not want further federal oversight, least of all in the form of ICE working with local law enforcement in ANY capacity whatsoever. 287(g) agreements would set a dangerous precedent and pave the way for local police forces to carry out the same unacceptable and inhumane abuses of power we are seeing federal ICE agents employ across the country. ICE employs fascist techniques full of fear, intimidation, division, and manipulation. We are seeing photo and video evidence of this every day. State kidnappings by ICE are unconstitutional and un-American. Maine wants no part in this.