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LD 1971

I am writing today in support of LD 1971. Preventing collaboration with ICE protects Mainers. It is also important to me as a state and local taxpayer that our resources go to things that develop and strengthen our communities instead of insighting fear. From working with asylum seekers performing forensic evaluations, I have learned about the difficult and drawn out legal process that awaits immigrants with legal representation. However, many detained by ICE do not receive representation and face dismal odds regarding their cases. This means that being detained by ICE is a deportation order for many.

Thank you for your time.