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Testimony of Rep. Flavia DeBrito in support of
**LD 1259, An Act to Enhance Public Safety in Maine by Defining the
Relationship Between Local and Federal Law Enforcement**
Before the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary

Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn and esteemed members of the Judiciary Committee, I am Flavia DeBrito and I represent House District 64, which includes parts of Waterville and Winslow. I'm submitting this testimony in support of **LD 1259, An Act to Enhance Public Safety in Maine by Defining the Relationship Between Local and Federal Law Enforcement**.

This bill would protect Mainers by prohibiting local law enforcement entities from entering into an agreement with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). As a state representative, my first priority is acting in the best interests of my constituents, and my support for this bill is indicative of that. If this bill isn't passed, it could have devastating consequences for thousands of people across Maine.

We must advocate for those at risk and support their constitutional right of due process.

I urge the committee to support LD 1259.