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LD 2106

Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn, and honorable members of the Committee on Judiciary, my name is Patricia Shearman and I live in Norway, Maine.

I am in support of LD 2106, "An Act to Prohibit the Disclosure of Nonpublic Records Without Proper Judicial Review"

We need to uphold the law and respect our valued officers of the law. To that end, I support LD 2106. Masked ICE agents escalate a fear response in any person which can provoke unnecessary violence. This is not how Immigration Officers should be trained. This method has no place in our culture and clearly does not represent the public good, nor does it represent upholding the law according to the Constitution. The disregard shown for judicial process makes passage of LD 2106 imperative to protect innocent parties and allow others justice under the law.

There is a difference between shielding citizens and protecting all of us by not allowing immigration agents to invade the public spaces of schools, health care facilities and childcare facilities demanding records without a proper judicial warrant. Innocent people are likely to become collateral damage.

Please protect our humanity and our democracy from the unlawful actions of ICE agents which we have seen in other states and now here in Maine. I urge you to support LD 2106. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,
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