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LD 2106

Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn and Members of the Judiciary Committee,

My name is Lisa Belanger and I am a resident of North Yarmouth. I am writing today in strong support of LD 2106, which will serve to better protect the public health of Mainers and help ensure that all people feel safe at public schools, hospitals, healthcare facilities, daycares, and libraries by prohibiting ICE from entering these locations to conduct immigration enforcement unless they can produce a valid judicial warrant signed by a judge. The bill also ensures that any information about a person's immigration status that is held by these entities is properly protected, unless federal law or a valid judicial warrant compels its sharing. And importantly, the bill provides guidance and support to workers at these locations, ensuring they are not put in crisis situations and forced to make individual decisions. I know my neighbors and members of my community feels just as strongly about this issue as I do. It is imperative that we be able to go to these public spaces without feeling fearful. Thank you for your support of this important bill.