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LD 2106

Dear Chair and Members of the Committee,

My name is Chelsea Violette FNP-C, and I practice as a nurse practitioner in South Portland, Maine. I am writing in strong support of LD 2106 (HP 1421), An Act to Prohibit the Disclosure of Nonpublic Records Without Proper Judicial Review.

Patient confidentiality and trust are fundamental to safe, ethical, and effective healthcare. As a nurse practitioner, I have a professional and ethical obligation to protect sensitive information and ensure that records are disclosed only through appropriate legal processes.

As a Nurse Practitioner and a Mom of 2 boys ages 5 and 2, I am asking for your support for LD 2016. No patient should be afraid to seek health care when needed. No parent should worry about seeking health care for a sick child. No health care member should worry about anything other than providing safe and high quality health care. No parent should have to fear bringing their child to school. No teacher should have to worry, anymore than they already do, about a child's safety at school. I have worked with our immigrant population as a Nurse and Nurse Practitioner in the Portland area for the last 10 years. I have personally heard the horrific lives our local immigrants left behind in seeking asylum. I will not be silent and turn my back on them. You should not turn your back on the residents of our state, health care workers, teachers and daycare providers either.

LD 2106 reinforces these principles by ensuring that nonpublic records are not released without proper judicial review. This safeguard is essential for maintaining public trust and protecting individuals from unnecessary harm.

I respectfully urge the committee to support LD 2106. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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