

Mareisa Weil
Freedom
LD 2106

Senatory Carney, Representative Kuhn and honorable members of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary,

My name is Mareisa Weil. I live with my family in Freedom, Maine, and our children attend public school in our district. I am writing today to urge you to vote unanimously Ought to Pass on LD 2106, An Act to Prohibit the Disclosure of Nonpublic Records Without Proper Judicial Review.

I have been horrified by the tactics of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) under the current administration. I have zero faith that they are not apprehending people who are pursuing legal pathways to citizenship. (I also would like to acknowledge that our immigration system is profoundly dysfunctional and that it can take many years for people to work their way through it, with hundreds of hours of time and thousands of dollars spent in the process.)

This bill makes daycare centers, schools, libraries, hospitals, etc, a little bit safer for our neighbors and our communities. It will also provide critical clarification for workers who may find themselves unsure of what their legal obligations are. This is common sense legislation that is urgent given what we are currently experiencing with ICE's interior enforcement tactics, and I thank Representative Sato and her co-sponsors for bringing it forward.

Please vote unanimously Ought to Pass on LD 2106 to help protect our communities and especially our kids.

Thank you,
Mareisa Weil