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LD 2106

RE: In Support of Maine LD 2106

Sen. Carney, Rep. Kuhn, and other members of the Judiciary Committee:

My name is Anne Farrington. I was born in New Hampshire and now live in Auburn, where I can look out my window and see the Mighty Androscoggin. Even though my skin is white, I'm worried about showing up for my volunteer shift Tuesday at a local soup kitchen (In case you're wondering, my worry is not going to stop me.)

I'm alarmed for ALL my friends and neighbors on both sides of the Androscoggin, especially those whose skin is NOT white. I am fearful that like my neighbors here in Auburn, Portland, Westbrook (and other Maine locations), I/we may be stopped by ICE, or harassed, bullied, hurt, detained and/or kidnapped, or shot at, without due process by ICE.

I understand that the accelerated presence of ICE in Maine, Minnesota, and other targeted communities throughout our nation is, in fact, domestic terrorism, masquerading as government overreach. My federal government, via ICE, is targeting Maine because Maine has stood up against the lawlessness of our president, and because locally we have been besieged and maligned by despicable lies and "reports" spread about our valued Somali community.

I hope you can begin to understand why I am asking you to vote in support of LD 2106, "An Act to Prohibit the Disclosure of Nonpublic Records Without Proper Judicial Review." It is a VERY small step you can take to protect us, and demonstrate that you prioritize the safety and well-being of all of us in Maine. I urge you to vote yes on LD 2106.