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LD 2106

When immigration enforcement is visible in or near schools, hospitals, daycares, and libraries, families become afraid to access essential services. Students miss school, parents avoid school events, and trust erodes. Maine cannot afford these harms. As an aging state with persistent workforce needs, we benefit when newcomer families feel safe to learn, work, and put down roots—and when children can develop both English and their home languages without fear.

LD 2106 ensures that sensitive community spaces remain focused on learning, health, and connection, and that enforcement actions require appropriate judicial process. This clarity protects children, educators, and service providers while supporting the conditions that help all learners thrive.

The federal government is not stepping in to curtail ICE insanity and the state government must step up to protect mainers. Please vote “ought to pass” on LD 2106 to uphold safe, welcoming schools and to support the pride, retention, and long-term benefits of multilingualism for Maine. Thank you for your consideration.

Best,
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