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LD 2106

To: Sen. Carney, Rep. Moonen, and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary

From: Kale Vonderau, 232 Exeter Rd, Corinth, 04427.

Re: Support for LD 2106, An Act to Prohibit the Disclosure of Nonpublic Records Without Proper Judicial Review

Sen. Carney, Rep. Moonen and members of the Judiciary Committee, my name is Kale Vonderau and I live in Corinth, Maine. I am writing to testify in support of LD 2106.

I am horrified seeing the dehumanization of our neighbors and witnessing the echo effect ICE has had on our nation and in our home, the state of Maine. We look at our immigrant friends and neighbors who have built lives and families here, terrified of leaving their homes, afraid to be in the community at all. We all deserve to feel safe to send our children to school or daycare without fear. We hear the reality that children are riddled with anxiety that they might never see their parents again if they were to come pick them up from school. There is already an example of this exact situation that happened to a family in Portland in 2025. We have international students, here legally following all the right channels, afraid to go to a career fair at UMO because of Border Patrol agents tabling at the event. We have our friends who are denying seeking medical attention because they are so afraid; everyone should be able to seek medical attention when they need it. Supporting LD 2106 will prohibit ICE from entering these public service locations unless they have a signed Judicial warrant, allowing them to enter only within legal measures. It will also give guidance on how to avoid escalations. We have seen the devastation that has fallen upon Minnesota in the last few weeks, lives that were taken at the hands of ICE agents who were not trained, fear spreading like a poison. We cannot sit by and allow that to happen here or anywhere else. We must do all we can to protect and ensure the safety of all Mainers, and especially our most vulnerable folks. It is vital that we be the role models of what it means to be a good citizen, to embody all that we are as good Mainers. Someone who would look out for you in a winter storm, and give you the shirt of their back, and who stands with the loyal and hardworking families that make Maine the beautiful place it is. By supporting LD 2106 you are strengthening our communities and standing for the safety and dignity of us all.

Respectfully and compassionately,
Kale Vonderau