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LD 2106

Dear Members of the Judiciary Committee,

I am writing in strong support of LD 2106, which would prohibit ICE activity in hospitals, schools, libraries, and childcare facilities. I was deeply upset to learn that these spaces are not already protected.

ICE officers have detained both citizens and immigrants who are legally present in the United States, often without warrants, and removed people from their homes, workplaces, and daily commutes. Many of those detained have no criminal record at all.

Since the Trump administration began its mass deportation efforts, many immigrant families have been living in fear, afraid to leave their homes to complete basic tasks such as grocery shopping or going to work. This fear and trauma contribute to a broader public health crisis, discouraging people from seeking medical care, education, and other essential services.

LD 2106 would be an important step toward protecting people living in the state of Maine and ensuring that schools, hospitals, libraries, and daycares remain safe and accessible spaces. This legislation would help prevent innocent people from being unjustly targeted and harmed.