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Testimony of Representative Amy Roeder supporting

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

Before the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary

Esteemed members of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary:

My name is Rep. Amy Roeder, and I respectfully submit this testimony in unequivocal support of LD 2106, a bill that would protect Maine families, schools, health care facilities, libraries, and child-care centers from warrantless intrusion and improper access to nonpublic records. The urgency of this bill isn't hypothetical — it is born from *actual, documented abuses of power* by federal immigration enforcement that have infringed upon constitutional rights across the country.

Over the last several months, ICE has operated in ways that blatantly violate the Fourth Amendment's protections against unreasonable searches and seizures — the very protections LD 2106 seeks to uphold for Maine people:

- Warrantless home entry without judicial oversight: A newly revealed ICE memo instructs agents that they may enter homes *without a judge-signed warrant* using an "administrative warrant." Legal experts have condemned this as a direct assault on the Fourth Amendment's core protections. This policy was kept secret until recently and is already being implemented in some areas, undermining judicial review and privacy rights in people's own homes.
- Class-action claims of unconstitutional stops, arrests, and racial profiling: In Minnesota, the ACLU filed a federal lawsuit alleging that ICE and other federal agents have been engaging in *suspicionless stops and warrantless arrests* of residents, with racial profiling as a central component of their tactics. The complaint asserts that Minnesotans have been *stopped, questioned, and detained without probable cause* — conduct that directly violates constitutional safeguards.
- Judicial rebuke for ignoring court orders: A federal judge in Minnesota recently *harshly criticized ICE* for ignoring over 90 court orders and detaining individuals despite judicial mandates. The judge warned that such conduct undermines the rule of law — a federal agency openly flouting constitutional restraints.



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- Deaths and violent enforcement actions: In Minneapolis, the killing of Renee Good by an ICE agent has sparked widespread outrage and protests, with thousands demanding accountability and decrying a pattern of aggressive enforcement that has cost lives and traumatized communities.
- Punishment for seeking legal representation: In Florida, former detainees at an immigration facility known as “Alligator Alcatraz” testified in federal court that they were *punished for seeking legal help*, denied access to counsel, and coerced into signing deportation documents without understanding them — clear violations of due process and First Amendment protections.

These are *not isolated reports* or rhetorical exaggerations. They are actual documented instances of federal immigration enforcement agencies behaving in ways that undermine constitutional rights, due process, and basic human dignity.

Right now, the policy environment at the federal level has empowered agents to treat warrantless home entry, blanket detentions, and denial of legal access as normal practice rather than exceptions. That is precisely why LD 2106 is critically necessary: if federal practices are increasingly unmoored from constitutional guardrails, then it must be Maine’s policy that these protections *do* apply in our schools, clinics, libraries, and daycare centers.

This bill does three concrete things:

1. It ensures that federal agents cannot access nonpublic areas of schools, health care facilities, libraries, or child care settings without a judicial warrant — consistent with core Fourth Amendment principles.
2. It protects nonpublic records — from student files to medical charts — from being handed over without proper judicial review.
3. It removes ambiguity about cooperation: educators, nurses, librarians, and care providers should not be placed in the impossible position of deciding whether to comply with federal demands that may violate constitutional norms.

Family doctors, teachers, librarians, and child care providers are *not law enforcement* — and they shouldn’t be forced to act as extensions of an agency that has repeatedly been accused of trampling civil liberties.



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Maine must act now to draw a line in defense of constitutional rights in public spaces that belong to all of us. I urge the committee to vote Ought to Pass on LD 2106.

Thank you.