

Dear Chairperson Kuhn and esteemed members of the Judiciary Committee, I am writing in Support of LD 2106, “An Act to Prohibit the Disclosure of Nonpublic Records Without Judicial Review”

As a public school teacher, I have always believed that our first responsibility as teachers is to keep our students safe. Children cannot learn when they are afraid. The recent actions of the federal government have made it nearly impossible for teachers to fulfill that responsibility. LD 2106 will help ensure people feel safer at public schools, as well as hospitals and healthcare facilities, daycares, and libraries. I especially appreciate the fact that the bill provides guidance and support to school employees and workers at healthcare facilities, daycares, and libraries. No teacher, librarian, daycare provider, or healthcare worker should have to navigate this crisis alone.

I urge you to vote “ought to pass” on this very important legislation.

Sincerely,
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