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LD 2106

To the Honorable Chair and distinguished members of the Judiciary Committee:

LD 2106 is a commonsense measure to keep Maine's communities safe and to ensure that schools, hospitals, healthcare facilities, childcare centers, and libraries remain trusted and accessible to all.

LD 2106 establishes clear standards: immigration enforcement actions in these sensitive public institutions would require a valid judicial warrant, and private records in nonpublic areas would remain protected. This bill does not interfere with lawful enforcement — it reinforces due process and judicial oversight while protecting essential community spaces.

When families fear entering schools, clinics, or libraries, the consequences extend far beyond immigration policy. Children miss school and meals. Patients delay medical care. Public health outreach fails. Parents cannot work if they are afraid to send their children to school or childcare. Trust in essential institutions erodes — and when trust erodes, community safety suffers.

These impacts ripple outward to everyone. Communities that are afraid to access services are less prepared for public health threats, severe weather, and other emergencies. Maine is strongest when our institutions are open, trusted, and functioning for the whole community.

Every Mainer — regardless of immigration status — should be able to attend school, seek medical care, access information, and participate in civic life without fear or intimidation. Protecting access to these spaces strengthens public safety, public health, and community stability.

I respectfully urge the committee to vote "**ought to pass**" on LD 2106.

Sincerely, Stacie Haines