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LD 2239

Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn and members of the Maine Judiciary Committee, I am Hon. Mike McClellan and I live in Raymond, Maine. I served in 3 sessions, the 125th - 127th. I am here to ask you to support LD 2239 as it attempts to return our state to normalcy and away from trying to emulate the failed NY, CA, IL and MN models.

Historically, Feminism is a Conservative Construct (ProLife was a Feminism value) until the cause, like many was hijacked for political gain. Thus, it is appropriate for me to contact you today given my belief system.

It is somewhat interesting to watch phrases like follow the science be used when convenient and not at other times. Today I saw a WNBA player state that Biological Men (my words) were ok in her sport. That they had no advantage. She did not offer to attempt to play in the NBA (Men's League)? I would wonder why a skilled person would not seek the highest challenge? Is there a reason Males seek to join female leagues but females do not seek male leagues? I think yes.

Of course, it is because there are differences in a male and a female body. Now, each has their own strengths and weaknesses so it is not a better or worse statement but a science statement. Now, I admit I am at an advantage here because I know what a women is.

To be serious tho, allowing males to play women's sports takes opportunities away from women. College scholarships, awards and trophy's. We have seen events where no "real" women placed in the final scores as men swept to victory. You might say, not in Maine and you might be correct at this point. Allowing men int women's locker and bathroom spaces is criminal and to not see the danger in that, in my view, should remove any individual leader from leadership.

To close, I worked in Mental Health for years. I knew various Trans people in this time, and I knew some amazing Trans people. (I hate labeling people like that by the way) Very talented in their skill sets, however troubled in their lives to the point daily functions were hard. The Medical Guide Book DSM 5 (I think 5) still lists Trans as a mental illness. I do not write that lightly, only I find it curious with all the DEI stuff, the statues torn down - that the definition has not been changed. Does that say something? If society all of a sudden decided drug addicts should be given drugs (maybe a bad example here in Maine), I would not support that. It would be a set up. So why are we asking people with mental health challenges to go into the fire?

Please support women and in reality also support Trans people like any good parent would, set limits. Pass LD2239.

Thank you for your service.

Mike