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Good afternoon. My name is Anna Gary, I'm 19 years old and from China Maine. I'm here today to testify in opposition to LD227.

LD 227 would allow for citizens outside the state of Maine to come to Maine for gender affirming services and abortions. Including minors. Think about this for a second. If Maine is allowing for out of state minors to travel here to receive gender transitioning services and abortion without parental consent what problems would this cause? Kidnapping! This bill would allow for abusers to bring children to this state to receive these services and Maine would legally protect that! Don't you see that as a problem? A teacher from New Hampshire could bring a student across the line to Maine to receive these services without the parents knowing and we would condone that. That is not Maine's area of authority and it is certainly not right for us to allow that to take place here. This bill is going to hurt children and divide families.

I strongly urge you all to vote in opposition to this. This is unjust. Thank you.