

TESTIMONY OF ANDRE LEVESQUE.

In Favor of LD 387

"An Act to Prohibit the Governor from Relocating Illegal Immigrants to This State"

BEFORE THE COMMITTEE ON STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Sponsored by Senator Harold Stewart

Public Hearing February 26, 2025

Honorable Members of this Committee.

My name is Andy Levesque I'm a resident of Gorham, and the son of an immigrant who came to this country **legally** from Canada.

During my genealogy search with the INS Immigration and Nationalization Service

I received copies of the forms that were used to evaluate my mother, and her family with information critical to their acceptance as citizens of this great country.

Their application was vetted by government officials, a local church and individuals that knew them well.

After all this preliminary work they were welcomed to our State.

What the Mills administration proposes is to disregard our laws that state:

Penalties for entering the United States illegally include fines, imprisonment, and deportation.

The Mills administration will instead, bring these people, **that have broken our laws**

and give them shelter, food and amenities that many of our homeless citizens don't have access to.. Including our veterans.

As citizens of Maine we can't afford to support the proposed 75,000 people that will settle in our state.

Our tax payers, already have the highest tax burden in the nation.

And with the anticipated cut off of **ALL federal funding** to our State, due to our Governor's inability to realize that women's sports should be for women only.

We will be responsible to care for these individuals until they can be deported to their country of origin.

As in other states that allow a huge influx of illegals, we will experience incidents of serious crimes that will be directed toward our law abiding citizens.

We don't want this additional burden in Maine.

This is why I urge you to vote ought to pass for LD 387

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