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Thank you to the members of the Judiciary Committee for listening to my testimony about LD 2106 or An Act to Prohibit the Disclosure of Nonpublic Records Without Proper Judicial Review.

My name is Megan Bastey, from Augusta. I am testifying in support of the emergency protection of LD 2106 for our hospitals, schools, libraries, and child care services. I hope that we can protect the important work happening in these necessary places and the people in need of these services, from the callousness and chaos many have already begun to see in Maine and throughout our country. I am in the Information and Library Sciences field so I am already devoted to every member of my community and protecting their private information, but I am not here only in that capacity.

I am also here as a Mainer who is just incredibly disturbed by the cruelty being meted out by masked men hired with little to no understanding of how a government, or human being should behave. The lack of respect for our selves and our personal information is part of what brought me here, but I was compelled to take the day off and be here today because I am genuinely scared (and like many, unable to sleep) worried by what will happen to my neighbors, to my state, to my country, if we do not stand up with conscience, in effort to stop this cruel and unconstitutional overreach, at least in these necessary spaces.

Please, I urge you to act and support LD 2106.

Thank you,
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