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LD 537

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Dear Distinguished Members of the Judiciary Committee

My name is Jennifer Sculli and I am a resident of Pittston ME. I am writing in support of LD #537, An Act to Prohibit the Doxing of a Minor and to Authorize a Related Civil Action. My daughter, Sage Sculli, was a victim of potential doxxing as the student representative to the MSAD 11 school board. At the time, she was 17 years old. As the student representative, she spoke in favor of transgender rights and in favor of a school based health clinic at her high school, Gardiner Area High School. This meeting was then live streamed on an individual's social media X platform, in which this individual "narrated" the meeting and allowed comments. Not only was my daughter openly mocked, but comments included "These are brainwashed children that they use as useful idiots. This is why we hit children." A few days after this meeting, she was subject to a FOAA request asking for her text message, social media, and electronic communication from the meeting, which was then published on this individual's X account. Accompanying the publication of her social media and text messages, was a posting stating that "Sage purposely misleads, immaturity talks down to the opposition, ignores every oppositional talking point". She was painted as oppositional and immature. A few weeks later, she was subject to another FOAA request from the same individual on X, asking for her correspondence with the college she was applying to. Outside of trying to harass and intimidate her, there was no reason for this information to be public. Thankfully, this FOAA was denied, as I have no doubt that this information would have also been shared on social media.

After these incidents, I consulted with both the Attorney General's office and a private lawyer and was told that there was not enough "there" to pursue any legal recourse. LD #537 could have assisted in pursuing legal action, as well as sending a message that this behavior is unacceptable in the eyes of the law. I urge you to vote "ought to pass" on LD #537 to assist parents in similar situations to help protect their children. Thank you

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