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LD 380

Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn, and members of the Judiciary Committee:

My name is Lucie Bauer. I am a resident of Rockland and I am testifying in opposition to LD 380. I submit this testimony as a member of my Unitarian Universalist faith tradition, which affirms and promotes justice, equity and compassion in human relations and the inherent worth and dignity of every person. I am a member of the First Universalist Church in Rockland and of MUUSAN, the Maine Unitarian Universalist Network which embodies these values.

As a person of faith and a retired educator, I believe LD 380 should not become law because withholding gender affirming care from youth will cause acute harm and increase the risk of suicide. That would be an unconscionable way to treat young people who need an affirmation of their whole selves in order to learn and grow into their full potential as members of society.

I urge you to vote Ought Not to Pass on LD 380.

Thank you,
Lucie Bauer