

LD1337

Hello Committee,

It is I Marissa Concerned Citizen of Westbrook, back at it again to oppose another anti-trans bill. You know my deal by now. It's been a long day. I hope you had a good lunch.

LD1337 dangerously redacts human rights for all Mainers. We should not be re-writing these hard-fought laws.

Trans women in Maine already face serious barriers to accessing appropriate shelter –not to mention disproportionate risks of violence–when they are unhoused. In fact I am in support of LD1328 this session which is supporting sober living facilities specifically to combat this issue within the recovery community. This is a pervasive issue. We should not be fueling this fire further.

This bill is an under-thought-out overstep brought on by nothing but fear and loud misinformation. It goes against the very nature of human aid and shelters in the first place. If we want to help people we have to Help. People. regardless of what genitalia is in their pants.

Giving shelters the right to discriminate does not help our state or your constituents. It does not fix homelessness. It does not fix domestic violence. It does fix the opioid crisis. It does not help any of your platforms.

In no way can any sane, informed, involved, person support this bill.

Thank you,
—Riss.