

The Join Standing Judiciary Committee  
Testimony of Catey Draper, Cape Elizabeth, ME

Against LD 1337

LD 1337: An Act to Amend the Maine Human Rights Act Regarding Female Athletes and  
Safety in Women's Single-sex Shelters

May 8, 2025

Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn, and Honorable Members of the Join Standing  
Judiciary Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to address the Committee. My name is Catey Draper, and I  
am a resident of Cape Elizabeth, ME. I am testifying in opposition to LD 1337.

The act to amend the Maine Human Rights Act regarding female athletes and safety in  
women's single-sex shelters will hurt my school-aged friends and neighbors. The issues of  
sports participation are already being handled appropriately by the correct organizations  
and governing associations to ensure fairness. Title IX prohibits sex discrimination and  
does not require a prohibition on transgender or intersex athletes. The Maine Human Rights  
Act adopted protections for gender identity in 2005. Changes to Maine law are unnecessary  
and help no one, regardless of gender.

Respectfully,

Catey Draper  
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