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I am a parent and Doctor of Public Health, and I am against excluding gender identity in the Maine Human Rights Act.

The Maine Human Rights Act adopted protections for gender identity in 2005. Now, a minority of our population thinks it can bully the rest of the state to remove the protection that has served our state well for two decades. In fact, passing this would reward the federal government's bullying tactics and open the door for further attacks on the civil rights of Maine people, but it won't make Maine safer or fairer for anyone.