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

Thank you for the opportunity to address the committee.

My name is Maxwell Lisanti, I am a resident of Scarborough. I am writing in opposition to the bill before the committee today. There are tens of thousands of high schoolers playing sports in Maine. Of that number, only 2 openly identify as transgender. As a taxpayer, it seems like a waste of my money and everyone's time to attempt to enact needlessly cruel legislation for a solution to a problem that doesn't exist. This bill will not just hurt the two teenagers who were brave enough to share and live their truth with the world. It will hurt every girl who is "too tall", "too broad", "too hairy", "too good at that sport to be a girl." This bill violates womens' and girls' right to privacy and will create a culture of surveillance, shame and judgment around the bodies of underage girls. Thank you for the opportunity to share my perspective with the Committee. I urge you to vote "Ought not to Pass" on this bill. Thank you!