Daniel Lowell Waterville LD 380

Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn, and the honorable members of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary:

My name is Daniel Lowell, I am a resident of the city of Waterville. I am writing in strong opposition to LD 380, which would allow insurance providers to opt out of covering gender-affirming health care.

This bill is dangerous. Gender-affirming care is evidence-based, life-saving, and endorsed by every major medical association. Denying trans people access to essential health care will cause harm and lead to worse health outcomes, both mental and physical.

No one should be denied health care because of who they are. LD 380 is a direct attack on the rights and dignity of trans people in Maine. Please reject this bill. Respectfully,

Daniel Lowell Waterville, Maine