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This bill does nothing but allow for discrimination against people for their gender identity. Trans people are our friends, our family, our neighbors, and to strip a vulnerable group of more protections endorses the violence and discrimination that will come about as a result of that. I am a lifelong Mainer, and have always prided our state on our ability to care for our neighbors, helping the elderly mow when it becomes too much for them, sharing our chickens eggs when we have too many, but now many of want to hurt our fellow Mainers because of their differences, and celebrate that fact. These anti-trans bills don't make Mainers safer, or help with the increasing economic difficulties were contending with in Maine, but instead removes safeties from the trans community, allowing further violence and discrimination, so they can serve as a scapegoat and a target for harassment. It's wrong to decide these people are less deserving of their literal human rights, simply because they are trans, or any other protected class, this legislation seeks to enshrine the hateful attitudes of a minority of Mainers from protecting our own.