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I am a resident of maine for nearly my whole life. I grew up here. I was married here. Most of my family lives here. I am not trans, but have numerous trans friends and acquaintances. I have seen first hand the difficulty they face on a daily basis. Our laws should not be used to discriminate or to isolate anyone. A false pretense of protecting women is being used against transgender people conflating their existence with an assault on women. In the reality that we live in, transgender people aren't looking to replace men or women. They arent looking for special rights that give them anything more than what every Mainer is due. Protecting the rights of all Mainers is the duty of this legislature and if you fail to defend our most vulnerable people you fail to defend us all. Its time the goverment of the people of Maine went to work on laws that benefit Mainers and not those that seek to divide us.