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LD 1259

Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn and distinguished members of the Judiciary Committee:

My name is Lucie Bauer. I live in the town of Rockport. I am a member of the First Universalist Church in Rockland and am moved to testify in support of the passage of LD 1259 due to the values of my Unitarian Universalist faith.

Like many other faith traditions, mine calls me to work for a diverse multicultural community where all feel welcome and can thrive, where every person is treated with respect and compassion, wherever their origin and whatever their immigration status.

Deputizing local police to carry out federal immigration enforcement actions on behalf of ICE makes everyone less safe. This bill encourages community safety, which is based on trust in local law enforcement, protects our most vulnerable community members, and prevents a diversion of resources from the investigation of serious crimes.

I urge you to vote Ought To Pass on LD 1259.