Tom Mikulka Cape Elizabeth LD 1259

To: Maine Legislative Committee on the Judiciary

From: Tom Mikulka, Ph.D.

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Subject: Testimony in support of LD 1259

Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn and distinguished members of the Judiciary Committee, I am writing in support of LD 1259 as person who has mentored African Immigrants as a volunteer for Welcoming the Stranger. I also run a program that distributes donated bicycles to immigrant students at Portland and South Portland High School.

I am deeply disturbed by the actions of the Federal government and find it reprehensible that Maine law enforcement would participate in Federal government behavior that is targeting immigrants based upon their race.

I urge you to pass LD 1259