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I write in support of HP 1421, LD 2106, to limit immigration enforcement activity in public schools, health care facilities, child care facilities, and public libraries. The recent ICE activity in Maine and elsewhere has shown that federal immigration enforcement officials are targeting lawful members of our community and are only interested in causing chaos and intimidating individuals because of the color of their skin. ICE officials' cruel tactics have impacted families and children, separating parents from children, attacking the most vulnerable members of our community, all at the taxpayers' expense. This is absolutely wrong.

Public spaces, including schools, health care facilities, childcare facilities, and public libraries should be safe for our friends and neighbors. Children must be able to go to school without fear that they—or one of their classmates—will not be present tomorrow. Children should not have to shelter in place due to the actions of our own government. Parents should not be afraid to send their children to school or daycare. Everyone deserves to be safe—especially those most vulnerable members of our communities, many of whom have sought legal protection from unspeakable atrocities elsewhere in the world and who contribute their talents to our society.

Please pass this HP 1421, LD 2106, to limit immigration enforcement activity in public schools, health care facilities, child care facilities, and public libraries.

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