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LD 2106

Testimony in Support of LD 2106
An Act to Prohibit the Disclosure of Nonpublic Records Without Proper Judicial Review

To the Members of the Judiciary Committee,

My name is Daniel Knoring White. I am a Maine resident, author, and integrative healing practitioner with a background in peace and reconciliation studies. My work focuses on human dignity, ethical governance, and the conditions required for healthy individuals and communities to thrive.

I write in strong support of LD 2106 and in opposition to the disclosure of nonpublic records without proper judicial review, particularly in the context of collaboration with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

LD 2106 affirms a foundational democratic principle: the rule of law must be upheld through transparent, impartial judicial oversight. Allowing the release of sensitive personal records without a warrant or court order undermines due process and erodes public trust in government institutions.

Unchecked disclosure of nonpublic information places vulnerable individuals at risk, chills civic participation, and pressures local and state agencies into roles that exceed their mandate. When fear replaces trust, communities fragment, cooperation with public services declines, and public safety is weakened rather than strengthened.

Judicial review is not an obstacle to justice—it is its safeguard. Requiring proper legal process ensures accountability, prevents abuse, and protects Maine residents from arbitrary or politically driven enforcement actions.

Maine has a long tradition of independence, fairness, and respect for individual rights. LD 2106 reflects those values by drawing a clear boundary: no person's private information should be shared without lawful justification and judicial authorization.

I urge the Committee to support LD 2106 and to stand firmly for due process, civil liberties, and ethical governance.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,
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