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LD 2239

Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn and Honorable Members of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary,

My name is Kayla Coffin and I am a resident of Unity, Maine. I am opposed to the proposed ballot measure, LD 2239. I find that this measure is too extreme for Maine people. The proposal's language is too vague, and the approach would be difficult and expensive to implement. I believe that this measure goes too far in policing students in activities that should be team building, not exclusionary. State laws must protect the freedoms of all Maine people, including those in our trans communities. Laws like this would limit the civil rights protections of Mainers. I also find it disturbing that this proposal was funded by an out-of-state billionaire in order to influence the upcoming midterm election. Our laws should be influenced by what matters to Maine people, not what some out of touch elite member of another community believes.

Thank you for the opportunity to share my perspective with the Committee.