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Senator Carrey, Representative Kuhn and Honorable members of the joint Standing Committee on Judiciary,

My name is Lauren McReel and I live in South Thomaston. I am writing in opposition to proposed LD 2239.

I am a grandmother whose 4 year old great child declared that she was a girl not a boy. Try to imagine what it feels like to be in the wrong body, subjected to being demonized by others and having your basic rights threatened.

This proposed ballot measure is extreme and offensive. The small towns of Maine are well equipped to make individual accommodations so that all students feel welcome and safe. We must defend the Maine Human Rights Act. No one of us wants the government policing or controlling our bodies.

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