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LD 2239

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

My name is Carol Wishcamper and I live in Freeport, Maine. I am opposed to the proposed ballot measure, LD 2239.

The proposed ballot measure is an extreme blanket ban that does not align with Maine values of freedom, equity, fairness for all, endangering our Maine Human Rights Act and leaving Mainers with fewer civil rights protections.

This measure would shift the already inadequate funding for school athletic facilities and programs to enforcing unduly restrictive requirements blocking equitable student access. The result would be both chaotic and expensive and perhaps even open risks for litigation.

I thank you for your consideration and for this opportunity to share my perspective with the Committee.