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Testimony Opposing Relocation of Illegal Immigrants LD 387 – An Act Prohibiting the Governor from Harboring Illegal Immigrants Colleen Brown 272 US RTE 1 Whiting, ME 04691 joecolbrown94@hotmail.com 02/21/2025

To the Honorable Members of the State and Local Government Committee,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to LD 387, which prohibits the Governor of Maine from relocating or assisting in the transportation of individuals classified as illegal immigrants.

I believe that this policy raises serious concerns about state sovereignty, public safety, and economic impact. It is the duty of the state to prioritize the well-being and security of its citizens. Relocating individuals who are not lawfully present in the U.S. could strain public resources, including education, healthcare, and social services.

Moreover, this policy may compromise community safety by increasing demands on local law enforcement and public health systems without adequate federal support or resources.

Maine has a rich tradition of welcoming legal immigrants and supporting community integration. However, this should be done in a manner that respects the rule of law and protects the integrity of our immigration system. I urge the committee to consider the long-term implications of this policy on Maine's communities and public services.

I respectfully ask you to oppose LD 387 and to ensure that any immigration-related policies are fair, lawful, and sustainable for the state of Maine.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Colleen Brown