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LD 1383

To the State and Local Government Committee Members. I am writing to ask the committee to send LD 1383 out as "Ought to Pass". And to speak about the importance of the State of Maine standing up against support for companies that are aiding and abetting genocide in Palestine and the Sudan AND the essentially illegal and cruel ICE detention and deportation system currently devastating so many American citizens. The retirees from the State of Maine system deserve to retire in dignity. And that means divesting from the immoral and illegal use of Maine's pension fund (MPER) to support the unethical and highly dangerous direction we see our federal government choosing. It may seem like a small step, but the impact and message is huge. Say No to all human rights violations using taxpayer money, Not In Our Names. The people of Maine vote for safety and peace. Not for war and cruel detention centers. This is something we can do, if you act in our name. Please vote "ought to pass" on LD 1383. As a constituent and proud Mainer who has been an RN for 50 years, an FNP for 25 years, I ask you to claim our humanity back . Any step is critical. Thank you for listening. Vote yes on LD 1383--ought to pass.