



August 10, 2026

By Email

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Learning Commons Librarian

Central Maine Community College

Dear Ms. Moreno:

In 2025 and 2026, the Maine legislature passed a package of important bills to protect Maine's immigrant residents and ensure they can access state and local services without fear that doing so will lead them or their loved ones to be targeted by federal immigration authorities. This suite of laws, collectively referred to here as the "ICE Out laws",¹ went into effect on July 29, 2026. The ACLU of Maine writes to inform your organization of new obligations under these laws.

The Maine Community College Library system is regulated by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

One of the new laws, referenced here as ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare and codified at 5 M.R.S. § 200-O and 27 M.R.S. § 109-A, imposes new obligations on Maine libraries. ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare regulates "person[s] acting on behalf of a state library."² The law explicitly identifies the Maine Community College System's libraries as state libraries that are covered by the statute.³

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² 27 M.R.S. § 109-A(2)-(3).

³ § (1)(E).

Importantly, although our shorthand for these laws identifies “ICE”, that agency’s name in “ICE Out” laws serves as a shorthand for the broader array of agencies that enforce immigration law. The law regulates cooperation with law enforcement officers, including federal officers. This, of course, includes ICE and Border Patrol, but can also include many other agencies.

The obligations imposed by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

The new law is complex and this letter should **not** be interpreted as a comprehensive summary. Instead, it is an attempt to highlight the sections most relevant to your organization. A more comprehensive analysis of the new ICE Out laws is available on our website.⁴

ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare broadly prevents anyone acting on behalf of a state library from consenting to law enforcement entering nonpublic areas of the facility for immigration enforcement purposes.⁵ The law further prevents anyone acting on behalf of a state library from consenting to law enforcement accessing protected patron records for immigration enforcement purposes.⁶

Of note, the law requires the Attorney General’s Office to promulgate model policies and guidance limiting immigration authorities’ ability to access library facilities’ nonpublic areas and protected patron records to the fullest extent possible, in order to “ensur[e] that facilities providing services to members of the public remain safe and accessible to all state residents regardless of immigration status.”⁷ The Attorney General’s Office must publish its model policies limiting immigration enforcement in libraries by September 27, 2026 (60 days after the law’s effective date).⁸ Libraries are required to adopt the AG’s model policies by December 27, 2026 (3 months after they are published by the AG’s office).⁹

We appreciate your attention. The ACLU of Maine is prepared to be a resource for any additional information you require on these new laws.

Respectfully,

Michael Kebede
Policy Director
ACLU of Maine Foundation

⁴ ACLU Maine, ICE Out of Maine, Website, *available at* <https://www.aclumaine.org/campaigns-initiatives/ice-out-of-maine/>.

⁵ 27 M.R.S. § 2.

⁶ § 3.

⁷ 5 M.R.S. § 200-O(1).

⁸ *Id.*

⁹ § 200-O (2)(A).

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August 10, 2026

By Email

Commissioner Pender Makin
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Maine Department of Education

Dear Commissioner Makin:

In 2025 and 2026, the Maine legislature passed a package of important bills to protect Maine's immigrant residents and ensure they can access state and local services without fear that doing so will lead them or their loved ones to be targeted by federal immigration authorities. This suite of laws, collectively referred to here as the "ICE Out laws",¹ went into effect on July 29, 2026. The ACLU of Maine writes to inform your agency of its new obligations under these laws.

The Maine Department of Education and the schools it oversees are regulated by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

One of the new laws, referenced here as ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare and codified at 5 M.R.S. § 200-O and 20-A M.R.S. §14, specifically imposes new obligations on the Maine Department of Education and the schools it oversees.

ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare regulates "person[s] acting on behalf of a public school or state postsecondary educational institution."² As the Commissioner of the Department of Education, responsible for disseminating information about the laws

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² 20-A M.R.S. § 14(2)-(3).

of the state to municipal and school officers of school administrative units, we write to inform you of the obligations under the ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare law.³

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The obligations imposed by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

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Of note, the law requires the Attorney General’s Office to promulgate model policies and guidance limiting immigration authorities’ ability to access school facilities’ nonpublic areas and protected educational records to the fullest extent possible, in order to “ensur[e] that facilities providing services to members of the public remain safe and accessible to all state residents regardless of immigration status.”⁷ The Attorney General’s Office must publish its model policies limiting immigration enforcement in schools by September 27, 2026 (60 days after the law’s effective date).⁸ Public schools and state postsecondary educational institutions are required to adopt the AG’s model policies by December 27, 2026 (3 months after they are published by the AG’s office).⁹

³ See generally 20-A M.R.S. §254.

⁴ ACLU Maine, ICE Out of Maine, Website, available at <https://www.aclumaine.org/campaigns-initiatives/ice-out-of-maine/>.

⁵ 20-A M.R.S. §14.

⁶ *Id.*

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Maine

August 10, 2026

By Email

Superintendent Carolyn Demik
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Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center

Dear Superintendent Demik:

In 2025 and 2026, the Maine legislature passed a package of important bills to protect Maine's immigrant residents and ensure they can access state and local services without fear that doing so will lead them or their loved ones to be targeted by federal immigration authorities. This suite of laws, collectively referred to here as the "ICE Out laws",¹ went into effect on July 29, 2026. The ACLU of Maine writes to inform your agency of its new obligations under these laws.

Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center is regulated by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

One of the new laws, referenced here as ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare and codified at 5 M.R.S. § 200-O and 22 M.R.S. § 1730-B, specifically imposes new obligations on the Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center.

ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare regulates "person[s] acting on behalf of a state institution."² State institution is defined by a cross-reference to 34-B M.R.S. § 1001(8), which includes (A) the Riverview Psychiatric Center, and (B) the Dorothea Dix

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² 22 M.R.S. § 1730-B(2)-(3).

Psychiatric Center. Therefore, the Center is governed by the requirements of Section 1730-B.

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The obligations imposed by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

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ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare broadly prevents anyone acting on behalf of a state institution from consenting to law enforcement entering nonpublic areas of the facility for immigration enforcement purposes.⁴ The law further prevents anyone acting on behalf of a state psychiatric institution from consenting to law enforcement accessing protected healthcare records for immigration enforcement purposes.⁵

Of note, the law the Attorney General’s Office to promulgate model policies and guidance limiting immigration authorities’ ability to access healthcare facilities’ nonpublic areas and protected healthcare records to the fullest extent possible, in order to “ensur[e] that facilities providing services to members of the public remain safe and accessible to all state residents regardless of immigration status.”⁶ The Attorney General’s Office must publish its model policies limiting immigration enforcement in healthcare facilities by September 27, 2026 (60 days after the law’s effective date).⁷ State psychiatric institutions are required to adopt the AG’s model policies by December 27, 2026 (3 months after they are published by the AG’s office).⁸

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³ ACLU Maine, ICE Out of Maine, Website, *available at* <https://www.aclumaine.org/campaigns-initiatives/ice-out-of-maine/>.

⁴ 22 M.R.S. § 1730-B(1)(E); § 1730-B(2).

⁵ *Id.* § 1730-B(3).

⁶ 5 M.R.S. § 200-O(1).

⁷ § 200-O (2)(A).

⁸ *Id.*

Respectfully,

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Maine

August 10, 2026

By Email

Bill Cook

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Dear Mr. Cook:

In 2025 and 2026, the Maine legislature passed a package of important bills to protect Maine's immigrant residents and ensure they can access state and local services without fear that doing so will lead them or their loved ones to be targeted by federal immigration authorities. This suite of laws, collectively referred to here as the "ICE Out laws",¹ went into effect on July 29, 2026. The ACLU of Maine writes to inform your organization of new obligations under these laws.

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⁵ 27 M.R.S. § 2.

⁶ § 3.

⁷ 5 M.R.S. § 200-O(1).

⁸ *Id.*

⁹ § 200-O (2)(A).

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August 10, 2026

By Email

Stephen LaRochelle
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Library Director
Kennebec Valley Community College

Dear Director LaRochelle:

In 2025 and 2026, the Maine legislature passed a package of important bills to protect Maine's immigrant residents and ensure they can access state and local services without fear that doing so will lead them or their loved ones to be targeted by federal immigration authorities. This suite of laws, collectively referred to here as the "ICE Out laws",¹ went into effect on July 29, 2026. The ACLU of Maine writes to inform your organization of new obligations under these laws.

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⁵ 27 M.R.S. § 2.

⁶ § 3.

⁷ 5 M.R.S. § 200-O(1).

⁸ *Id.*

⁹ § 200-O (2)(A).

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Maine

August 10, 2026

By Email

Alex Burnett

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Law and Legislative Reference Library

Dear Acting Director Burnett:

In 2025 and 2026, the Maine legislature passed a package of important bills to protect Maine's immigrant residents and ensure they can access state and local services without fear that doing so will lead them or their loved ones to be targeted by federal immigration authorities. This suite of laws, collectively referred to here as the "ICE Out laws",¹ went into effect on July 29, 2026. The ACLU of Maine writes to inform your organization of new obligations under these laws.

The Law and Legislative Reference Library is regulated by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

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Respectfully,

Michael Kebede
Policy Director

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⁵ 27 M.R.S. § 2.

⁶ § 3.

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⁸ *Id.*

⁹ § 200-O (2)(A).

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Maine

August 10, 2026

By Email

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Nutting Memorial Library

Maine Maritime Academy

Dear Ms. Starbird:

In 2025 and 2026, the Maine legislature passed a package of important bills to protect Maine's immigrant residents and ensure they can access state and local services without fear that doing so will lead them or their loved ones to be targeted by federal immigration authorities. This suite of laws, collectively referred to here as the "ICE Out laws",¹ went into effect on July 29, 2026. The ACLU of Maine writes to inform your organization of new obligations under these laws.

The Maine Maritime Library is regulated by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

One of the new laws, referenced here as ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare and codified at 5 M.R.S. § 200-O and 27 M.R.S. § 109-A, specifically imposes new obligations on Maine libraries.

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Respectfully,

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Maine

August 10, 2026

By Email

Lori Stockman

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Maine State Library

Dear Ms. Stockman:

In 2025 and 2026, the Maine legislature passed a package of important bills to protect Maine's immigrant residents and ensure they can access state and local services without fear that doing so will lead them or their loved ones to be targeted by federal immigration authorities. This suite of laws, collectively referred to here as the "ICE Out laws",¹ went into effect on July 29, 2026. The ACLU of Maine writes to inform your organization of new obligations under these laws.

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Maine

August 10, 2026

By Email

Executive Director Rachelle Bristol

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Maine Education Association

Dear Ms. Bristol:

In 2025 and 2026, the Maine legislature passed a package of important bills to protect Maine's immigrant residents and ensure they can access state and local services without fear that doing so will lead them or their loved ones to be targeted by federal immigration authorities. This suite of laws, collectively referred to here as the "ICE Out laws",¹ went into effect on July 29, 2026. The ACLU of Maine writes to inform your organization of new obligations under these laws.

The Maine Education Association serves as a resource to the schools that are regulated by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

One of the new laws, referenced here as ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare and codified at 5 M.R.S. § 200-O and 20-A M.R.S. §14, specifically imposes new obligations on Maine public schools.

ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare regulates "person[s] acting on behalf of a public school or state postsecondary educational institution."² The law cross-references "public preschool program," "publicly supported secondary school," and "public

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² 20-A M.R.S. § 14(2)-(3).

school,”³ entities represented by school administrative units, municipal school districts, and regional school units. As the Maine Education Association represents educators in Maine schools, we write to advise you of new obligations under this law.

Importantly, although our shorthand for these laws identifies “ICE”, that agency’s name in “ICE Out” laws serves as a shorthand for the broader array of agencies that enforce immigration law. The law regulates cooperation with law enforcement officers, including federal officers. This, of course, includes ICE and Border Patrol, but can also include many other agencies.

The obligations imposed by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

The new law is complex and this letter should **not** be interpreted as a comprehensive summary. Instead, it is an attempt to highlight the sections most relevant to your organization. A more comprehensive analysis of the new ICE Out laws is available on our website.⁴

ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare broadly prevents anyone acting on behalf of a public school or state postsecondary educational institution from consenting to law enforcement entering nonpublic areas of the facility for immigration enforcement purposes.⁵ The law further prevents anyone acting on behalf of a public school or state postsecondary educational institution from consenting to law enforcement accessing protected educational records for immigration enforcement purposes.⁶

Of note, the law requires the Attorney General’s Office to promulgate model policies and guidance limiting immigration authorities’ ability to access school facilities’ nonpublic areas and protected educational records to the fullest extent possible, in order to “ensur[e] that facilities providing services to members of the public remain safe and accessible to all state residents regardless of immigration status.”⁷ The Attorney General’s Office must publish its model policies limiting immigration enforcement in schools by September 27, 2026 (60 days after the law’s effective date).⁸ Public schools and state postsecondary educational institutions are required to adopt the AG’s model policies by December 27, 2026 (3 months after they are published by the AG’s office).⁹

³ § 1(23-A)-(24).

⁴ ACLU Maine, ICE Out of Maine, Website, *available at* <https://www.aclumaine.org/campaigns-initiatives/ice-out-of-maine/>.

⁵ 20-A M.R.S. §14.

⁶ *Id.*

⁷ 5 M.R.S. § 200-O(1).

⁸ *Id.*

⁹ § 200-O (2)(A).

We appreciate your attention. The ACLU of Maine is prepared to be a resource for any additional information you require on these new laws.

Respectfully,

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Maine

August 10, 2026

By Email

Executive Director Eric Waddell

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Maine School Management Association

Dear Mr. Waddell:

In 2025 and 2026, the Maine legislature passed a package of important bills to protect Maine's immigrant residents and ensure they can access state and local services without fear that doing so will lead them or their loved ones to be targeted by federal immigration authorities. This suite of laws, collectively referred to here as the "ICE Out laws",¹ went into effect on July 29, 2026. The ACLU of Maine writes to inform your organization of new obligations under these laws.

The Maine School Management Association serves as a resource to the schools that are regulated by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

One of the new laws, referenced here as ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare and codified at 5 M.R.S. § 200-O and 20-A M.R.S. §14, specifically imposes new obligations on Maine public schools.

ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare regulates "person[s] acting on behalf of a public school or state postsecondary educational institution."² The law cross-references "public preschool program," "publicly supported secondary school," and "public

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² 20-A M.R.S. § 14(2)-(3).

school,”³ entities represented by school administrative units, municipal school districts, and regional school units. As the Maine School Management Association consists of the Maine Schools Boards Association and the Maine Superintendents Association, serving as a resource to school boards and superintendents, we write to advise you of new obligations under this law.

Importantly, although our shorthand for these laws identifies “ICE”, that agency’s name in “ICE Out” laws serves as a shorthand for the broader array of agencies that enforce immigration law. The law regulates cooperation with law enforcement officers, including federal officers. This, of course, includes ICE and Border Patrol, but can also include many other agencies.

The obligations imposed by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

The new law is complex and this letter should **not** be interpreted as a comprehensive summary. Instead, it is an attempt to highlight the sections most relevant to your organization. A more comprehensive analysis of the new ICE Out laws is available on our website.⁴

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Of note, the law requires the Attorney General’s Office to promulgate model policies and guidance limiting immigration authorities’ ability to access school facilities’ nonpublic areas and protected educational records to the fullest extent possible, in order to “ensur[e] that facilities providing services to members of the public remain safe and accessible to all state residents regardless of immigration status.”⁷ The Attorney General’s Office must publish its model policies limiting immigration enforcement in schools by September 27, 2026 (60 days after the law’s effective date).⁸ Public schools and state postsecondary educational institutions are required to adopt

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⁵ 20-A M.R.S. §14.

⁶ *Id.*

⁷ 5 M.R.S. § 200-O(1).

⁸ *Id.*

the AG's model policies by December 27, 2026 (3 months after they are published by the AG's office).⁹

We appreciate your attention. The ACLU of Maine is prepared to be a resource for any additional information you require on these new laws.

Respectfully,

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⁹ § 200-O (2)(A).



August 10, 2026

By Email

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Director

Northern Maine Community College

Dear Director Kierstead:

In 2025 and 2026, the Maine legislature passed a package of important bills to protect Maine's immigrant residents and ensure they can access state and local services without fear that doing so will lead them or their loved ones to be targeted by federal immigration authorities. This suite of laws, collectively referred to here as the "ICE Out laws",¹ went into effect on July 29, 2026. The ACLU of Maine writes to inform your organization of new obligations under these laws.

The Maine Community College Library system is regulated by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

One of the new laws, referenced here as ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare and codified at 5 M.R.S. § 200-O and 27 M.R.S. § 109-A, imposes new obligations on Maine libraries. ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare regulates "person[s] acting on behalf of a state library."² The law explicitly identifies the Maine Community College System's libraries as state libraries that are covered by the statute.³

¹ These laws are collectively referred to as the ICE Out laws for ease of reference, but they apply broadly to limit Maine law enforcement's collaboration immigration enforcement activities regardless of which agency is carrying them out, whether that is U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE"), Homeland Security Investigations ("HSI," a subcomponent of ICE), U.S. Customs and Border Protection ("CBP"), U.S. Border Patrol (a subcomponent of CBP), any other part of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security ("DHS," the executive department in which ICE and CBP are housed), or any other federal, state, or local agency carrying out civil immigration enforcement activities.

² 27 M.R.S. § 109-A(2)-(3).

³ § (1)(E).

Importantly, although our shorthand for these laws identifies “ICE”, that agency’s name in “ICE Out” laws serves as a shorthand for the broader array of agencies that enforce immigration law. The law regulates cooperation with law enforcement officers, including federal officers. This, of course, includes ICE and Border Patrol, but can also include many other agencies.

The obligations imposed by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

The new law is complex and this letter should **not** be interpreted as a comprehensive summary. Instead, it is an attempt to highlight the sections most relevant to your organization. A more comprehensive analysis of the new ICE Out laws is available on our website.⁴

ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare broadly prevents anyone acting on behalf of a state library from consenting to law enforcement entering nonpublic areas of the facility for immigration enforcement purposes.⁵ The law further prevents anyone acting on behalf of a state library from consenting to law enforcement accessing protected patron records for immigration enforcement purposes.⁶

Of note, the law requires the Attorney General’s Office to promulgate model policies and guidance limiting immigration authorities’ ability to access library facilities’ nonpublic areas and protected patron records to the fullest extent possible, in order to “ensur[e] that facilities providing services to members of the public remain safe and accessible to all state residents regardless of immigration status.”⁷ The Attorney General’s Office must publish its model policies limiting immigration enforcement in libraries by September 27, 2026 (60 days after the law’s effective date).⁸ Libraries are required to adopt the AG’s model policies by December 27, 2026 (3 months after they are published by the AG’s office).⁹

We appreciate your attention. The ACLU of Maine is prepared to be a resource for any additional information you require on these new laws.

Respectfully,

Michael Kebede
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⁴ ACLU Maine, ICE Out of Maine, Website, *available at* <https://www.aclumaine.org/campaigns-initiatives/ice-out-of-maine/>.

⁵ 27 M.R.S. § 2.

⁶ § 3.

⁷ 5 M.R.S. § 200-O(1).

⁸ *Id.*

⁹ § 200-O (2)(A).

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Maine

August 10, 2026

By Email

Superintendent Stephanie George-Roy
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Dear Superintendent George-Roy:

In 2025 and 2026, the Maine legislature passed a package of important bills to protect Maine's immigrant residents and ensure they can access state and local services without fear that doing so will lead them or their loved ones to be targeted by federal immigration authorities. This suite of laws, collectively referred to here as the "ICE Out laws",¹ went into effect on July 29, 2026. The ACLU of Maine writes to inform your agency of its new obligations under these laws.

Riverview Psychiatric Center is regulated by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

One of the new laws, referenced here as ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare and codified at 5 M.R.S. § 200-O and 22 M.R.S. § 1730-B, specifically imposes new obligations on Riverview Psychiatric Center.

ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare regulates "person[s] acting on behalf of a state institution."² State institution is defined by a cross-reference to 34-B M.R.S. § 1001(8), which includes (A) the Riverview Psychiatric Center, and B) the Dorothea Dix

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² 22 M.R.S. § 1730-B(2)-(3).

Psychiatric Center. Therefore, the Center is governed by the requirements of Section 1730-B.

Importantly, although our shorthand for these laws identifies “ICE”, that agency’s name in “ICE Out” laws serves as a shorthand for the broader array of agencies that enforce immigration law. The law regulates cooperation with law enforcement officers, including federal officers. This, of course, includes ICE and Border Patrol, but can also include many other agencies.

The obligations imposed by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

The new law is complex and this letter should **not** be interpreted as a comprehensive summary. Instead, it is an attempt to highlight the sections most relevant to your agency. A more comprehensive analysis of the new ICE Out laws is available on our website.³

ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare broadly prevents anyone acting on behalf of a state institution from consenting to law enforcement entering nonpublic areas of the facility for immigration enforcement purposes.⁴ The law further prevents anyone acting on behalf of a state psychiatric institution from consenting to law enforcement accessing protected healthcare records for immigration enforcement purposes.⁵

Of note, the law the Attorney General’s Office to promulgate model policies and guidance limiting immigration authorities’ ability to access healthcare facilities’ nonpublic areas and protected healthcare records to the fullest extent possible, in order to “ensur[e] that facilities providing services to members of the public remain safe and accessible to all state residents regardless of immigration status.”⁶ The Attorney General’s Office must publish its model policies limiting immigration enforcement in healthcare facilities by September 27, 2026 (60 days after the law’s effective date).⁷ State psychiatric institutions are required to adopt the AG’s model policies by December 27, 2026 (3 months after they are published by the AG’s office).⁸

We appreciate your attention. The ACLU of Maine is prepared to be a resource for any additional information you require on these new laws.

³ ACLU Maine, ICE Out of Maine, Website, *available at* <https://www.aclumaine.org/campaigns-initiatives/ice-out-of-maine/>.

⁴ 22 M.R.S. § 1730-B(1)(E); § 1730-B(2).

⁵ *Id.* § 1730-B(3).

⁶ 5 M.R.S. § 200-O(1).

⁷ § 200-O (2)(A).

⁸ *Id.*

Respectfully,

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Maine

August 10, 2026

By Email

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Director of the Learning Commons

Southern Maine Community College

Dear Director Gurney:

In 2025 and 2026, the Maine legislature passed a package of important bills to protect Maine's immigrant residents and ensure they can access state and local services without fear that doing so will lead them or their loved ones to be targeted by federal immigration authorities. This suite of laws, collectively referred to here as the "ICE Out laws",¹ went into effect on July 29, 2026. The ACLU of Maine writes to inform your organization of new obligations under these laws.

The Maine Community College Library system is regulated by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

One of the new laws, referenced here as ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare and codified at 5 M.R.S. § 200-O and 27 M.R.S. § 109-A, imposes new obligations on Maine libraries. ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare regulates "person[s] acting on behalf of a state library."² The law explicitly identifies the Maine Community College System's libraries as state libraries that are covered by the statute.³

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² 27 M.R.S. § 109-A(2)-(3).

³ § (1)(E).

Importantly, although our shorthand for these laws identifies “ICE”, that agency’s name in “ICE Out” laws serves as a shorthand for the broader array of agencies that enforce immigration law. The law regulates cooperation with law enforcement officers, including federal officers. This, of course, includes ICE and Border Patrol, but can also include many other agencies.

The obligations imposed by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

The new law is complex and this letter should **not** be interpreted as a comprehensive summary. Instead, it is an attempt to highlight the sections most relevant to your organization. A more comprehensive analysis of the new ICE Out laws is available on our website.⁴

ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare broadly prevents anyone acting on behalf of a state library from consenting to law enforcement entering nonpublic areas of the facility for immigration enforcement purposes.⁵ The law further prevents anyone acting on behalf of a state library from consenting to law enforcement accessing protected patron records for immigration enforcement purposes.⁶

Of note, the law requires the Attorney General’s Office to promulgate model policies and guidance limiting immigration authorities’ ability to access library facilities’ nonpublic areas and protected patron records to the fullest extent possible, in order to “ensur[e] that facilities providing services to members of the public remain safe and accessible to all state residents regardless of immigration status.”⁷ The Attorney General’s Office must publish its model policies limiting immigration enforcement in libraries by September 27, 2026 (60 days after the law’s effective date).⁸ Libraries are required to adopt the AG’s model policies by December 27, 2026 (3 months after they are published by the AG’s office).⁹

We appreciate your attention. The ACLU of Maine is prepared to be a resource for any additional information you require on these new laws.

Respectfully,

Michael Kebede
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⁴ ACLU Maine, ICE Out of Maine, Website, *available at* <https://www.aclumaine.org/campaigns-initiatives/ice-out-of-maine/>.

⁵ 27 M.R.S. § 2.

⁶ § 3.

⁷ 5 M.R.S. § 200-O(1).

⁸ *Id.*

⁹ § 200-O (2)(A).

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Maine

August 10, 2026

By Email

Cynthia Kitchin

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University of Maine – Augusta

Dear Director Kitchin:

In 2025 and 2026, the Maine legislature passed a package of important bills to protect Maine's immigrant residents and ensure they can access state and local services without fear that doing so will lead them or their loved ones to be targeted by federal immigration authorities. This suite of laws, collectively referred to here as the "ICE Out laws",¹ went into effect on July 29, 2026. The ACLU of Maine writes to inform your organization of new obligations under these laws.

The University of Maine Library system is regulated by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

One of the new laws, referenced here as ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare and codified at 5 M.R.S. § 200-O and 27 M.R.S. § 109-A, specifically imposes new obligations on Maine libraries.

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ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare regulates "person[s] acting on behalf of a state library."² The law explicitly identifies a library of the University of Maine System as a state library that is covered by the statute.³

Importantly, although our shorthand for these laws identifies "ICE", that agency's name in "ICE Out" laws serves as a shorthand for the broader array of agencies that enforce immigration law. The law regulates cooperation with law enforcement officers, including federal officers. This, of course, includes ICE and Border Patrol, but can also include many other agencies.

The obligations imposed by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

The new law is complex and this letter should **not** be interpreted as a comprehensive summary. Instead, it is an attempt to highlight the sections most relevant to your organization. A more comprehensive analysis of the new ICE Out laws is available on our website.⁴

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Of note, the law requires the Attorney General's Office to promulgate model policies and guidance limiting immigration authorities' ability to access library facilities' nonpublic areas and protected patron records to the fullest extent possible, in order to "ensur[e] that facilities providing services to members of the public remain safe and accessible to all state residents regardless of immigration status."⁷ The Attorney General's Office must publish its model policies limiting immigration enforcement in libraries by September 27, 2026 (60 days after the law's effective date).⁸ Libraries are required to adopt the AG's model policies by December 27, 2026 (3 months after they are published by the AG's office).⁹

We appreciate your attention. The ACLU of Maine is prepared to be a resource for any additional information you require on these new laws.

² 27 M.R.S. § 109-A(2)-(3).

³ § (1)(E).

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⁵ 27 M.R.S. § 2.

⁶ § 3.

⁷ 5 M.R.S. § 200-O(1).

⁸ *Id.*

⁹ § 200-O (2)(A).

Respectfully,

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Maine

August 10, 2026

By Email

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Director of Library Services

University of Maine – Farmington

Dear Director Cundick:

In 2025 and 2026, the Maine legislature passed a package of important bills to protect Maine's immigrant residents and ensure they can access state and local services without fear that doing so will lead them or their loved ones to be targeted by federal immigration authorities. This suite of laws, collectively referred to here as the "ICE Out laws",¹ went into effect on July 29, 2026. The ACLU of Maine writes to inform your organization of new obligations under these laws.

The University of Maine Library system is regulated by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

One of the new laws, referenced here as ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare and codified at 5 M.R.S. § 200-O and 27 M.R.S. § 109-A, specifically imposes new obligations on Maine libraries.

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The obligations imposed by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

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We appreciate your attention. The ACLU of Maine is prepared to be a resource for any additional information you require on these new laws.

² 27 M.R.S. § 109-A(2)-(3).

³ § (1)(E).

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⁵ 27 M.R.S. § 2.

⁶ § 3.

⁷ 5 M.R.S. § 200-O(1).

⁸ *Id.*

⁹ § 200-O (2)(A).

Respectfully,

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Maine

August 10, 2026

By Email

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Director of Library Services

University of Maine – Fort Kent

Dear Director Birden:

In 2025 and 2026, the Maine legislature passed a package of important bills to protect Maine's immigrant residents and ensure they can access state and local services without fear that doing so will lead them or their loved ones to be targeted by federal immigration authorities. This suite of laws, collectively referred to here as the "ICE Out laws",¹ went into effect on July 29, 2026. The ACLU of Maine writes to inform your organization of new obligations under these laws.

The University of Maine Library system is regulated by ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare.

One of the new laws, referenced here as ICE Out of Schools and Healthcare and codified at 5 M.R.S. § 200-O and 27 M.R.S. § 109-A, specifically imposes new obligations on Maine libraries.

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We appreciate your attention. The ACLU of Maine is prepared to be a resource for any additional information you require on these new laws.

² 27 M.R.S. § 109-A(2)-(3).

³ § (1)(E).

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⁵ 27 M.R.S. § 2.

⁶ § 3.

⁷ 5 M.R.S. § 200-O(1).

⁸ *Id.*

⁹ § 200-O (2)(A).

Respectfully,

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August 10, 2026

By Email

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Dear Dean Singh:

In 2025 and 2026, the Maine legislature passed a package of important bills to protect Maine's immigrant residents and ensure they can access state and local services without fear that doing so will lead them or their loved ones to be targeted by federal immigration authorities. This suite of laws, collectively referred to here as the "ICE Out laws",¹ went into effect on July 29, 2026. The ACLU of Maine writes to inform your organization of new obligations under these laws.

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August 10, 2026

By Email

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Dear Director Getz:

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By Email

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University of Maine School of Law

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Maine

August 10, 2026

By Email

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University of Southern Maine

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By Email

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Washington County Community College

Dear Director Leavitt:

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