Erin Lloyd Hallowell LD 396

I would like to add my voice in support of LD 396, An Act to Provide for a Later Starting Time for High Schools. It is well established that high school students require more sleep and will typically fall asleep later at night (and therefore wake up later) than their elementary school counterparts. See here -

https://www.health.pitt.edu/news/sleep-science-supports-later-school-start-times#:~:te xt=Teenagers%20need%20approximately%20eight%20to,and%20adults%2C%20exp erts%20have%20found.- for a University of Pittsburgh Health Sciences study published last year, which echoes many other studies' conclusions. It is purely common sense to have the high schoolers start later than the elementary schoolers and I urge the Maine legislature to pass this bill.