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I STRONGLY URGE you to vote OUGHT NOT TO PASS on LD734, An Act to promote voter registration for students in Maine's High Schools. In 1971 they gave the right to vote to 18–21-year-olds. They did this because they were fighting in the Vietnam War, and they decided that if they could die fighting in a war, they should be able to vote. This was past the HS age for most. I think that was a good decision on the country's part. I do not think going down to HS age is a good decision. The children in HS today are not even close to the maturity of the children in HS in the 1970s. I fear this is just another way to influence the children in the schools. Right up there with DEI and gender dysphoria being encouraged in our school children I fear there will be partisan indoctrination of woke and other harmful ideologies. Our children should be allowed the right to develop their own mindset with the help of their parents' and grandparents' wealth of knowledge, not schools and School Boards. Thank you VERY MUCH for voting OUGHT NOT TO PASS on LD 734. Give our children time to enjoy their childhood!!!