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LD 1579

I oppose LD 1579 “An Act to Abolish School Budget Referenda” and support LD 1586 “An Act to Amend the Regional School Unit Budget Validation Referendum Law.”

LD 1579: We reserve the opportunity to address each warrant article individually, and scrutinize them accordingly. Since there are at least a dozen warrant articles for funding various aspects of the district school budget, it makes sense to take a look at each once for suitability, vs a lump sum vote that will come later after each warrant article is examined and approved.

LD 1586: This bill requires the question for a budget validation referendum for a regional school unit budget to include the dollar amount of the budget. Common sense. Why wouldn't the \$\$ figure be in the question?

I oppose LD 1579, and it “ought not to pass.” I support LD 1586 and “ought to pass.”