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I oppose LD 1051, "An Act To Promote Civic Engagement and Voter Participation for Young People by Lowering the Voting Age for Municipal Elections to 16 Years of Age".

This bill lowers the voting age for municipal elections to 16 years of age. This is a very significant proposition and should not be entered into lightly. Voting is one of our most precious, and most valuable rights that we have. Responsible citizens use their life's experiences and knowledge to make an informed decision on how they use that power and cast their vote. Sixteen-year-olds cannot legally purchase tobacco, alcohol, sign a legal contract etc., life changing decisions. My opinion, gather more life experience prior to permitting youngsters to make life changing decisions.

Again, I oppose LD 1051, "An Act To Promote Civic Engagement and Voter Participation for Young People by Lowering the Voting Age for Municipal Elections to 16 Years of Age", and it "ought not to pass".