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My name is Natalie Morgenbesser and I am a resident of Scarborough. I am in support of LD 1446.

As a 16 year old I feel that I am ready to vote, and that I am an important voice in my community. I already very involved in my community and have attended a couple of roundtable discussions to gauge public support, one was led by the school board. My involvement in these is helpful to an extent, but having a vote would have an even more direct effect. I plan on continuing this work, and enjoying it, but it seems unfair. It is clear that my peers, at least the ones I am interacting with are ready for this responsibility. Many of them equally, if not more involved than I am. I understand the weight of lowering the voting age, and that is exactly why I believe it should happen. We all have the responsibility to make the best decisions and compromises. This is not possible without the younger voices.