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When I was drafted at 18 by the Oregon Draft Board in 1969, I had to be 21 to vote. We were saying if we were old enough to die we were old enough to vote. Still we had to wait three years to vote. If I was old enough to be drafted three years before I could vote, then 13 year olds should be draft age. If you are old enough to die under a draft, you are old enough for capital punishment.

By this time you think I am being absurd, if you had any common sense. Unfortunately, you just proved common sense is not a qualification required to get elected.

Personally, my opinion is no legislator should have office unless they are willing to give up their lives to protect the innocent. Giving minors the vote is a risk to them as long as they are under the power of parents, teachers, or bullies in school.

The Oregon Legislature should be ashamed they even allowed this bill to be turned into a public record. Willing ignorance is stupidity. This legislature should resign in shame if you allow this to pass. You are a danger to yourself and others.