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Lowering the voting age to 16 is just going to further weaken the vote in Oregon. 16 year olds do not have the intellectual maturity to vote nor do they have to realistically live with the results of an election as they are predominately supported by their parents. It will divide the population even more between urban and rural voters as the number of people in the urban areas will be even higher. Most teens don't have a basic understanding of how the government works and their brains are not fully developed.