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"Good afternoon Chairman, members of the committee. My name is (Jason J. Slater, S L A T E R)

I am testifying in SUPPORT of bill number 13 & 14. I am from Thompson Falls and I am here representing Thompson Falls School District #2.

SB 13
I support increasing the age that students must attend schooling from the age of 16 to the age of 18. We are aware of the limitations students put on themselves when they choose to leave school before completing a course of education. By increasing the age a student is required to attend school this bill increases the likelihood that a student will complete a suitable educational path.

SB 14
Schools should be funded for the services they provide. Our school believes that every student deserves a chance; given this principle like most schools we do enroll 19 year olds who may need a few credits to graduate. Our school provides them the necessary services in guidance and instruction to lead them to a diploma and should be compensated. Funding schools for educating 19 year olds is the right thing to do.

Jason J. Slater
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