

YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Hathaway House Bill Number 725

Legislative Action:

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House Committee: _____
House: _____
Senate Committee: _____
Senate: _____
Governor: _____

Delegation: Missoula Family YMCA

Referred to Committee: Hathaway House Red Committee

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "Operation Green Thumb"

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3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE MONTANA YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE:

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5 Findings:

- 6 The population in Montana is growing rapidly each year.
- 7 Average yearly temperatures have been rising because of the green house effect.
- 8 As a result of population growth and logging, forest areas are only 3,442,416 acres out of
- 9 a total 94,109,542 acres in all of Montana. (wildmontana.org)
- 10 Nation wide in the last 20 years we have lost 3.5 million acres of over developing
- 11 The number of people has caused city expansion to go into the wilderness and invade
- 12 animals homes, making them become a problem.

13 Plan:

14 Make all existing public parks outside of city limits into National Forest.

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16 Funding:

17 There will be a 1% restaurant tax. A "restaurant" will be defined as any establishment that
18 serves food. There will be a 5% tax on non-food items, (like the current tax in the state of
19 Washington)

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21 Effective Date: October 1st, 2008

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