

YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

House Bill Number 337

Legislative Action:

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Delegation: Butte High School

Senate: _____

Governor: _____

Referred to Committee: House Judiciary Committee

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO PROTECT UNDERAGE DESIGNATED
2 DRIVERS WHO ARE NOT INTOXICATED FROM RECEIVING AN MIP."
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4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE MONTANA YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE:
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6 **Section 1.** Any underage driver who is in a car with intoxicated people, but who is not
7 intoxicated themselves, are protected from receiving an MIP. This is unfair to the underage
8 driver as they are treated as if they had been intoxicated anyways.

9 **Section 2.** Many students are pressured into driving their friends home or feel like they
10 need to protect them. Who would want someone they know, a close friend perhaps, driving
11 while under the influence, and more prone to hurt others as well as themselves?

12 **Section 3.** Currently, any sober underage driver (or passenger) caught with other
13 underage intoxicated people will receive an MIP. This bill would exempt the sober individuals
14 from receiving an MIP and would be treated fairly. If an individual passes a sobriety test, even
15 though they are with intoxicated friends, they are exempt from an MIP.

16 **Section 6.** This bill will go into effect immediately upon passage.

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