

YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Senate Bill Number 124

Legislative Action:

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Senate Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

Senate: \_\_\_\_\_

Delegation: Great Falls

Governor: \_\_\_\_\_

Referred to Committee: Senate Natural Resources & Transportation Committee

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1 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF SEAT BELT  
2 LAW WITHOUT OTHER PROBABLE CAUSE"

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4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE MONTANA YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE:  
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6 **61-13-103. Seatbelt use required -- exceptions.** (1) A driver may not operate a motor vehicle  
7 upon a highway of the state of Montana unless each occupant of a designated seating position is  
8 wearing a properly adjusted and fastened seatbelt or, if [61-9-420](#) applies, is properly restrained in  
9 a child safety restraint.

10 (2) The provisions of this section do not apply to:

11 (a) an occupant of a motor vehicle who possesses a written statement from a licensed  
12 physician that the occupant is unable to wear a seatbelt for medical reasons;

13 (b) an occupant of a motor vehicle in which all seatbelts are being used by other occupants;

14 (c) an operator of a motorcycle or a motor-driven cycle;

15 (d) an occupant of a vehicle licensed as special mobile equipment; or

16 (e) an occupant who makes frequent stops with a motor vehicle during official job duties and  
17 who may be exempted by the department.

18 (3) The department may adopt rules to implement subsection (2)(e).

19 (4) The department or its agent may ~~not~~ require a driver who may be in violation of this  
20 section to stop ~~except upon~~ without reasonable cause to believe that the driver has violated  
21 another traffic regulation or that the driver's vehicle is unsafe or not equipped as required by law.

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