

YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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Senate Bill Number 111

Legislative Action:

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House Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

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House: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Delegation: Dillon

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

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

Referred to Committee: Senate Judiciary Committee

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1 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "TO ALLOW A DEFENDANT TO COUNTERSUE THE  
2 ATTORNEY WHO IS REPRESENTING THE PROSECUTION PRO BONO."  
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4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE MONTANA YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE:  
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6 Section 1: Definitions: Prosecution- the institution and carrying on of legal proceedings against a  
7 person. Defendant- a person, company, etc., against whom a claim or charge is brought in court.  
8 Countersue- to bring a civil action against one's prosecution. Pro Bono- done or donated without  
9 charge.  
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11 Section 2: Currently, if the prosecution is being represented pro bono, the defendant has no  
12 means of countersuing the prosecution.  
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14 Section 3: By enacting this bill, the defendant would be able to countersue the prosecution by  
15 prosecuting the attorney that is representing his opponent, making the attorney financially  
16 responsible for his/her client.  
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18 Section 4: This bill would only be accountable in pro bono cases.  
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20 Section 5: No funding will be necessary.  
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22 Section 6: This bill will become effective upon passage.  
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