

YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Senate Bill Number 120

Legislative Action:

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House Committee: _____

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House: _____

Senate Committee: _____

Delegation: Miles City

Senate: _____

Governor: _____

Referred to Committee: Senate Business & Taxation Committee

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "Montana's Economic WiFi Movement"

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3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE MONTANA YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE:

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5 **Section 1.** 1) WiFi Connection- Either of two different incompatible radio-based LAN
6 protocols, namely 802.11b (which speaks DSSS at 2.4GHz) and 802.11a (which speaks OFDM
7 at 5GHz). The term was invented by the marketing departments of WiFi equipment
8 manufacturers. It is, notionally, short for "wireless fidelity", on the analogy of hi-fi for "high
9 fidelity" audio 2) Hot Spot- one or more interconnected WiFi access points 3) Wireless Network-
10 a telecommunications network whose interconnections between nodes is implemented without
11 the use of wires 4) Location that deems possible- A location that is possible to maintain a strong
12 wireless connection and is a probable location for a wireless hot spot

13 **Section 2.** The state of Montana shall become completely WiFi compatible by the year
14 2018.

15 **Section 3.** There shall be a panel of technological experts and software engineers to
16 place recommendations and to follow through with making sure all of Montana complies with
17 the regulations needed to make wireless connections accessible throughout Montana.

18 **Section 4.** Wireless connections shall be accessible from any location in the state of
19 Montana that deems possible. Businesses shall be required to adapt their technology to be WiFi
20 compatible to conform to the standards set by the panel of experts.

21 **Section 5.** Budgetary considerations for this bill shall set aside \$1 million each year after
22 the bill is enacted to set up the program. The budget regarding this project can be subject to
23 change based on considerations of the panel of experts. The budget change shall require a
24 unanimous vote by the panel as well as a 2/3 vote in the Senate as well as the House of
25 Representatives.

26 **Section 6.** The bill will be enacted upon passage.

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