

YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

Senate Bill Number 126

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1 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "MUSIC AND THE BRAIN"

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3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE MONTANA YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE:

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5 NEW SECTION Section 1. Findings

6 (1) Many studies have been conducted on the effects of music to the brain. Scientists
7 say that children who are exposed to music or those who play an instrument do
8 better in school than those who don't. Recent research suggests exposure to music
9 may benefit a child's reading age, IQ and the development of certain parts of the
10 brain. Adults can benefit from learning to play an instrument too because it helps
11 the mind to be alert and active eventually helping to sharpen the memory.

12 (2) Playing sports offers children more than just physical benefits. Sports typically
13 help kids academically and socially as well. The benefits are the same whether or
14 not your child actually excels at the sport.

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16 NEW SECTION Section 2. Mandates

17 (1) All High Schools will be mandated to have each student participate in one season
18 of activity.

19 (2) Activities include Sports, Choir, Band, Speech and Debate, and school
20 organizations.

21 (3) All High Schools that do not participate will have their funding cut off by 3%

22 (4) A board will be created under the State education board to give grants to high
23 schools for funding assistance in the Activities

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25 NEW SECTION Section 3. Fiscal Note

26 (1) A 5% increase tax on gambling will be will be enacted

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28 NEW SECTION Section 4. Enactment Date

29 (1) Bill will be enacted upon passage.

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