

YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

____Bill Number____

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Delegation: Butte Central

Referred to Committee_____

Legislative Action:

House Committee:_____

House:_____

Senate Committee:_____

Senate:_____

Governor:_____

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "TAKING WOLVES OFF THE ENDANGERED
2 SPECIES LIST."

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4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE MONTANA YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE:

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6 NEW SECTION. **Section 1.** The purpose of this bill is to take wolves off of the
7 Endangered Species list and make them a legal game animal eligible of being hunted.

8 NEW SECTION. **Section 2.** Every day wolves prove to be a nuisance to
9 humans and animals in which they share habitat. They are a nuisance to ranchers and their
10 livestock. Every year wolves cost Montana ranchers thousands of dollars by killing calves,
11 sheep, lambs, and chickens. They also kill large amounts of elk, often killing more than they
12 eat. This makes elk extremely spooky and difficult to hunt and manage.

13 NEW SECTION. **Section 3. Fiscal note.** Although this bill may cost the state
14 of Montana somewhere around \$1,000,000, it would ultimately save Montana ranchers
15 thousands of dollars every year. The state of Montana would also make a great deal of money
16 by holding a hunting season on wolves.

17 **Section 6. Effective date.** This bill will become effective May 1, 2009.

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