

YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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\_\_\_\_\_ Bill Number \_\_\_\_\_

Legislative Action:

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House Committee: \_\_\_\_\_  
House: \_\_\_\_\_  
Senate Committee: \_\_\_\_\_  
Senate: \_\_\_\_\_  
Governor: \_\_\_\_\_

Delegation: Butte High School

Referred to Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

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1 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "SAVE THE PUPPIES"

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3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE MONTANA YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE:  
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5 **Section 1.** Definition of a puppy mill: sometimes known as puppy farms' are large-scale  
6 dog breeding facilities that operate under substandard breeding conditions, causing the  
7 development of chronic health problems, temperament issues, and hereditary defects in puppies  
8 that come from the mills. The high numbers of euthanized animals (4 million dogs per year in  
9 U.S.) has led animal rights advocates to oppose the mass breeding of pet animals, a view that the  
10 profitable breeding industry opposes.

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12 **Section 2.** Action. Upon purchasing a puppy a background check is required along with  
13 a tour of where the puppy was bred ensuring the puppy was bred properly in the right  
14 environment.

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16 **Section 3.** Enforcement. All persons who sell puppies must abide by this rule and will be  
17 enforced by the Montana Legislatures.

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19 **Section 4.** Punishment. If all persons fail to meet the requirements their license for  
20 breeding animals will be taken away for 5 years minimum ensuring they never make a decision  
21 to improperly take care of an animal.

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23 **Section 5.** Funding. Funding will mostly be provided by the volunteer work from local  
24 people. Additional funding will be provided by the general fund.

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26 **Section 6.** Enactment Date. This bill will go into effect immediately upon passage.

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