

YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA  
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\_\_\_\_\_ Bill Number \_\_\_\_\_

Legislative Action:

Introduced by: Whistling Elk, Newta  
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Delegation: Lame Deer

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

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

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1 BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "A BILL TO AMEND MAC 16-11-305  
2 AND RAISE THE SMOKING AGE TO 20 YEARS OLD."  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE MONTANA YOUTH LEGISLATURE:

4 **SECTION 1: Short title.** "MONTANA RAISE THE SMOKING AGE  
5 ACT".

6 **SECTION 2:** MCA 16-11-305 will be amended to read as  
7 **Sale and distribution of tobacco products to persons under**  
8 **20 years of age ~~18 years of age~~ prohibited:** (1)A person may  
9 not sell or distribute a tobacco product to an individual  
10 under **20 years of age** ~~under 18 years of age,~~ whether over  
11 the counter, by vending machine or otherwise.

12 **SECTION 3:** The legal age for possession of cigarettes  
13 will now be 20.

14 **SECTION 4:** All penalties for possession of cigarettes  
15 while under legal smoking age will remain the same.

16 This bill will be effective January 1, 2010.

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