

YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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

Legislative Action:

Introduced by: Representative Mia Reynolds  
Authored by: Mia Reynolds

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

Delegation: Miles City

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

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1 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO REPEAL SECTION 4 OF 61-13-103  
2 MONTANA CODE ANNOTATED, ENFORCING A PRIMARY SEAT BELT LAW IN  
3 MONTANA"

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5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE MONTANA YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE:

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7 **61-13-103. Seatbelt use required—exceptions.**

8 (1) A driver may not operate a motor vehicle upon a highway of the state of Montana unless each  
9 occupant of a designated seating position is wearing a properly adjusted and fastened seatbelt, or  
10 if 61-9-420 applies, is properly restrained in a child safety restraint.

11 (2) The provisions of this section do not apply to:

12 (a) an occupant of a motor vehicle who possesses a written statement from a licensed physician,  
13 licensed physician assistant, or advanced practice registered nurse, as defined in 37-8-102, that  
14 the occupant is unable to wear a seatbelt for medical reasons;

15 (b) an occupant of a motor vehicle in which all seatbelts are being used by other occupants;

16 (c) an operator of a motorcycle or a motor-driven cycle;

17 (d) an occupant of a vehicle licensed as special mobile equipment; or

18 (e) an occupant who makes frequent stops with a motor vehicle during official job duties and  
19 who may be exempted by the department.

20 (3) The department may adopt rules to implement subsection (2)(e).

21 ~~(4) The department or its agent may not require a driver who may be in violation of this section~~  
22 ~~to stop except upon reasonable cause to believe that the driver has violated another traffic~~  
23 ~~regulation or that the driver's vehicle is unsafe or not equipped as required by law.~~

24 **Section 1:** This bill will become effective three months after passage.

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