

1 YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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4 Bill Number Legislative Action:  
5 House of Committee: \_\_\_\_\_  
6 Introduced By: Brianna Beswick House: \_\_\_\_\_  
7 Senate Committee: \_\_\_\_\_  
8 Authored By: Brianna Beswick Senate: \_\_\_\_\_  
9 Delegation: Bozeman High School Governor: \_\_\_\_\_  
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11 Referred to Committee: \_\_\_\_\_  
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14 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO MAKE CLASS RANKINGS FAIR."  
15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE MONTANA STATE YOUTH LEGISLATURE:

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17 **Section 1. Definitions.** Grade Point Average [GPA], is a measure of a student’s performance in  
18 school according to their grades achieved in each class.

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20 Advanced Placement [AP] classes are College Board certified college-level courses offered in a  
21 variety of subjects.

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23 Weighted GPA is a measurement of GPA that takes into account the number of AP classes taken.

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25 **Section 2. Provisions.** Currently, most weighted GPAs are determined using a 4.0 scale for  
26 normal classes and a 5.0 scale for AP classes. This allows for students who take fewer normal  
27 classes to have a higher weighted GPA than those students who takes more.

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29 EX) 6 total classes, 2 AP  
30 A’s received in all classes  
31  $[5.0(2) + 4.0(4)]/6 = 4.3333$   
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33 8 total classes, 2 AP  
34 A’s received in all classes  
35  $[5.0(2) + 4.0(6)]/8 = 4.25$   
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37 Therefore, GPA shall henceforth be determined without the 5.0 scale. Instead, AP classes will  
38 garner a student an extra .025 points each on their GPA, for ranking purposes.

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40 EX) 6 total classes, 2 AP  
41 A’s received in all classes  
42  $[4.0(6)/6] + .025(2) = 4.05$   
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44 8 total classes, 2 AP  
45 A’s received in all classes  
46  $[4.0(8)/8] + .025(2) = 4.05$

47 **Section 3. Funding.** No funding should be necessary.

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49 **Section 4. Penalties.** A warning shall be issued upon the first year of non-compliance. Any  
50 subsequent years, offending school districts shall be fined as deemed appropriate.

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52 **Section 5. Enactment Date.** This act will become effective upon passage. All schools must  
53 implement the measure to become effective for the next class of freshmen.

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