

YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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1.A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: “ AN ACT TO BAN THE SALE AND/OR DISTRIBUTION
2.OF INCANDESCANT LIGHTBULBS IN ORDER TO BETTER OUR STATE.”

3.BE IT ENACTED BY THE MONTANA YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE

4. **Section 1.** The sale, distribution and importation of non CFL incandescent light bulbs will be
5.outlawed in the state of Montana.

6. **Section 2.** Approximately 90% of the power consumed by an incandescent light bulb is emitted as
7. heat, rather than as visible light. This makes these light bulbs less efficient than almost any other
8.source of light that Montanans can purchase. Since fluorescent lamps use less power to supply the
9. same amount of light as an incandescent lamp, they decrease energy consumption and the
10.environmental effects of electric power generation. Where electricity is largely produced from
11.burning fossil fuels, the savings reduces emission of greenhouse gases and other pollutants.
12. While CFLs require more energy in manufacturing than incandescent lamps, this is offset by the
13. fact that they last longer and use less energy than equivalent incandescent lamps during their
14.lifespan.

15. **Section 3.** This legislation is of no burden to the taxpayer and would only require businesses to not
16. purchase any NEW light bulbs. They may continue to sell currently stocked light bulbs until
17. January 1st 2010 when all light bulbs sold must be CFL's.

18. **Section 4.** CFL is any compact fluorescent light bulb.

19. **Section 5.** This bill will become effective upon passage.

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