

YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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House Bill Number 310

Legislative Action:

Introduced by: Spenser Paul  
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House Committee: \_\_\_\_\_  
House: \_\_\_\_\_  
Senate Committee: \_\_\_\_\_  
Senate: \_\_\_\_\_  
Governor: \_\_\_\_\_

Delegation: Great Falls  
Referred to Committee: House Natural Resources & Transportation Committee

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1 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "LIKE A ROCK, ONLY FEWER MPG, TOBY KEITH."

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE MONTANA YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE:

3 Whereas: The state of Montana is a rural state with great distance between major cities.

4 Whereas: The environment is constantly threatened by emissions from vehicles of all sorts.

5 Whereas: SUV's and "work trucks" put out 43% more global-warming pollutants (28 pounds of  
6 carbon dioxide per gallon of gas consumed) and 47% more air pollution than the average car.

7 Whereas: An "economy car" is one that has a relatively high efficiency for the amount of work  
8 done and distance traveled on a regular basis.

9 Section 1: The action of this bill would reduce emissions and, thus, consumption of precious  
10 natural resources, ie. Fossil fuels.

11 Section 2: The action of this bill would require all persons wishing to purchase a vehicle that is  
12 not "economy" to acquire a permit by completing an application for said permit. Application for  
13 the permit will require appropriate justification for using said vehicle. Your big rig maybe cool,  
14 but cool won't save the pandas. A committee will be created within the Montana Department of  
15 Transportation for setting the guidelines of justification.

16 Section 3: This bill shall go into effect January 1, 2008.

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