

YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

House Bill Number 342

Legislative Action:

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Governor: _____

Delegation: Bozeman
Referred to Committee: House Education Committee

1 A BILL FOR THE ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT FOR FINANCIAL AID TO
2 COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS BASED ON ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, SAT 3
AND ACT APTITUDE SCORES."

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5 BE IT ENCATED BY THE MONTANA YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE:

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7 **SECTION 1: PLAN**

8 A. Financial Aid will be given to Montana high school graduates based upon 9
cumulative weighted GPA and SAT/ACT test scores. Aid will be given for 10
any college (2 or 4 year) or technical school.

11 B. Graduates will be given the minimal amount required for books, courses, 12
and housing. Aid will only be given for a course once, after that the
13 individual must pay for additional courses. Courses must correspond with the 14
major in order to be given funding.

15 C. The higher achievement in these areas, the greater financial aid will be
16 given. The table below is a rough indicator of the percent of aid to the total 17
cost of college given:

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GPA	SAT(1600)	SAT(2400)	ACT	%cpf*
4.5	1600	2400	36	75%
4-4.49	1480-1599	2200-2399	33-35	70%
3.5-3.99	1420-1479	2100-2199	30-32	65%
3.0-3.49	1380-1419	1900-2099	27-29	60%
2.5-2.99	1200-1379	1770-1899	24-26	50%
2.0-2.49	1090-1199	1600-1769	21-23	45%

*PERCENT OF COLLEGE PAID FOR

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20 D. A special department will be set up to review and set the standards for
21 the percent of money that will be given for a combination of cumulative high 22
school GPA and test scores.

23 **SECTION 2: FUNDING**

24 Funding will come from a tax on all tobacco products

25 **SECTION 3: EFFECTIVE DATE**

26 This bill will become effective upon passage