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SB69-14/15: Resolution Regarding HB 412

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Whereas, the Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) represents the interests of the student body;

Whereas, the health and safety of students at the University of Montana (UM) is of utmost importance;

Whereas, HB 412 would incentivize under-age Montanans to seek medical help for their colleagues, without the threat of receiving a Minor in Possession (MIP) fine;

Whereas, HB 412 seeks to extend medical assistance to students in need,

Whereas, HB 412 prohibits the penalization of under-age citizens for properly looking out for their colleagues in need of, or seeking proper medical attention;

Whereas, without the incentive of MIP immunity, underage students at UM may be less inclined to bring their colleagues or themselves to a medical provider or the police in an unsafe or even life-threatening situation;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, that ASUM supports the passage of HB 412;

Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, that ASUM instructs its lobbyist to lobby in support of HB 412.