

# MCSC: The Voice of Montana's DUI Victims

## Time to Make it Tough on Young Men & Women Who Kill

- 21 other crimes, including all the homicides and assaults, are already included in this statute. Leaving this one out was an oversight—let's fix it!
- This change allows a judge to try a juvenile as an adult—it is NOT required. A first time offender who expresses remorse and takes responsibility for his/her behavior can be tried as a juvenile.
- A 16-17 year old young man or woman who has significant criminal history, and/or substance abuse and addiction problems, and/or does not express remorse or take responsibility for his/her behavior can be tried as an adult.
- This is an opportunity to force change—treatment works even when court ordered. At this age troubled youth need effective treatment programs with close community monitoring. Adult programs are more effective.
- The adult privilege to drive a vehicle should be linked to the adult responsibility and consequences for bad driving behavior.
- The dead victim and surviving family and friends don't get a "do over"; why should the drunk driver?

**PLEASE SUPPORT HB 18** Vehicular homicide under the influence - minor prosecuted as adult

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