ALLIANCE OF NEW YORK STATE YMCAs	ASSEMBLY Bill # 13	
the YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT Legislative Bill	Referred to	Committee:
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School: Keshequa	House	Senate
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1	AN ACT TO : Make it so students loan debts are not as crippling to college graduates.
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3	The People of the State of New York, represented in the Senate
4	and Assembly, do enact as follows:
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6	PURPOSE: We initiate this bill as a way to improve college loans and make them not so crippling
7	to college students.
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9	SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS :
10	Section 1: Any state funded college (SUNY) will be able to pull money raised tax moneys from
11	alcoholic beverages or tobacco and the moneys collected from the New York state Returnable
12	container law.
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14	JUSTIFICATION:
15	The average student debt (from a state college) is close to thirty thousand dollars. It would be a
16	great idea to help these peoples because they are the future of this country. We should use some
17	of the tax revenues from alcohol and tobacco products to help pay for certain students who meet

18 specific criteria. These students will have to have to have a 3.8 GPA to qualify for financial help.

19 The most the state would pay is 60% of any one student's debt who qualifies.

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21 FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

22 This bill will raise the tax by 20% on any carbonated soft drinks, soda water, beer and other malt

23 beverages, wine products and water which does not contain sugar (including flavored or

- 24 nutritionally enhanced water) in containers that are in an individual, separate, sealed glass, metal,
- aluminum, steel or plastic bottle, can or jar less than 1 gallon or 3.78 liters. Also it will raise the
- taxes on alcoholic beverages by 10% on each species of alcohol, 2% on tobacco products
- and, 5% on electronic cigarettes.
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29 **EFFECTIVE DATE:**

30 This This bill shall go into effect in the year of 2018 on the start of the academic school semester

31 for all SUNY colleges.