

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0198

State employees and officials insurance-eligibility.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) McOmie and Senator(s) Harris, Massie and Miller, C.

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the state employees and officials group
2 insurance plan; authorizing participation by developmental
3 disability service providers as specified; specifying
4 conditions; and providing for an effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 9-3-203(a)(iv) and 9-3-207 by
9 creating a new subsection (e) are amended to read:

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11 **9-3-203. Definitions.**

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13 (a) As used in this act:

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15 (iv) "Employee" means any official or employee
16 of the state of Wyoming whose salary is paid by state

1 funds, including employees and faculty members of the
2 University of Wyoming and various community colleges in the
3 state, except persons employed on intermittent, irregular,
4 or less than halftime basis and any at-will contract
5 employee who does not meet the requirements established
6 under W.S. 9-2-1022(a)(xi)(F)(III) or (IV). Until July 1,
7 2004, "employee" shall not include employees of the
8 agricultural extension service of the University of Wyoming
9 who hold federal civil service appointments, are required
10 to participate in federal civil service retirement and who
11 elect to participate in the federal employees' health
12 benefit program as authorized in W.S. 9-3-210(d). An
13 employee of any entity providing developmental disability
14 services for preschool children with disabilities under a
15 contract with the department of health pursuant to W.S.
16 21-2-701 through 21-2-705, who is eligible to participate
17 in the Wyoming retirement system, under W.S. 9-3-401 et
18 seq. shall also be eligible to participate in the group
19 insurance plan in accordance with W.S. 9-3-207(e);

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21 **9-3-207. Eligibility for membership in plan; state**
22 **employees; 31 day period to elect enrollment; new**
23 **employees; later enrollment.**

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1 (e) An employee of any entity providing developmental
2 disability services for preschool children with
3 disabilities under a contract with the department of health
4 pursuant to W.S. 21-2-701 through 21-2-705, who is eligible
5 to participate in the Wyoming retirement system, under W.S.
6 9-3-401 et seq. shall also be eligible to participate in
7 the group insurance plan subject to all other eligibility
8 requirements of this act and the following:

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10 (i) The contract between the department and
11 entity shall specify the category of employees eligible for
12 membership in the state employees' and officials' group
13 insurance plan;

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15 (ii) The employee or the entity shall pay the
16 total premium required and shall pay the premiums required
17 to the department monthly at a time established by the
18 department. The failure to timely pay all premiums due for
19 any employee shall result in that employee's coverage under
20 the program being terminated.

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22 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2002.

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