

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0126

School board trustee residence areas.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Luthi and Wasserburger

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to school districts; modifying the
 2 procedure for election of district board members by trustee
 3 residence area; and providing for an effective date.

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

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 21-3-111(b)(ii) is amended to read:

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9 **21-3-111. Powers of boards of trustees.**

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11 (b) Not later than January 1, 1998, the board of
 12 trustees of each school district that has established
 13 trustee residence areas before that date shall:

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15 (ii) Establish by resolution a structure for
 16 electing members to the board through trustee residence
 17 areas with not less than two (2) members of the board

1 elected at-large from the entire district. If the board
2 establishes trustee residence areas under this paragraph,
3 one (1) or more members shall be elected from each area.
4 The boundaries of the trustee residence areas shall be
5 established so that the total deviation in the population
6 between the areas with the greatest and least population
7 shall not, to the extent practicable, exceed ten percent
8 (10%). Data from the most recent federal census shall be
9 used in determining population within an area for the
10 purpose of implementing this paragraph. The resolution
11 shall include a process for implementing this change so
12 that all elected trustees may serve their full term but
13 that any vacancy shall be filled so as to implement the
14 change as soon as practicable. In the event that there
15 exists within a school district a city or town with a
16 middle or high school and the population of the residents
17 living within the area being served by the middle or high
18 school is insufficient to ensure that at least one (1)
19 member of the board of trustees is elected from this area,
20 the school board may deviate from the ten percent (10%)
21 requirement for no more than one (1) trustee position by
22 creating a trustee district which shall ensure that a
23 trustee is elected from the area served by the middle or
24 high school.

