

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0145

Election judges and counting boards.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Lockhart

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to election judges and counting boards;
2 specifying age requirements; and providing for an effective
3 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. 22-8-101(b) and (c), 22-8-102,
8 22-8-106 and 22-8-108(a) and (b) are amended to read:

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10 **22-8-101. Notice of election officials needed; county**
11 **chairmen to submit list of names; municipal clerks list of**
12 **names appointment.**

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14 (b) Not later than the third Tuesday of May in each
15 general election year the county chairman of each major and
16 minor political party in each county may certify to the
17 county clerk a list of registered electors residing in the

1 county and affiliated with the party, and a list of persons
2 who are at least sixteen (16) years of age who otherwise
3 meet all requirements for qualification as an elector, who
4 are willing to serve as a judge of election or as a member
5 of a counting board.

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7 (c) Not later than the third Tuesday of May in each
8 general election year municipal clerks may submit to the
9 county clerk a list of registered electors, and a list of
10 persons who are at least sixteen (16) years of age who
11 otherwise meet all requirements for qualification as an
12 elector, residing in the municipality they represent who
13 are willing to serve as a judge of election or as a member
14 of a counting board.

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16 **22-8-102. Qualifications.**

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18 Except as otherwise provided by this section, judges of
19 election and members of counting boards shall be registered
20 electors and shall be physically, morally and mentally
21 competent to perform their duties. The county clerk may
22 appoint persons who are at least sixteen (16) years of age
23 to serve as judges of election or members of counting
24 boards if such persons meet all other requirements for

1 qualification of an elector. A judge of election shall not
2 be a member of a counting board at the same election except
3 as provided by W.S. 22-8-108(d).

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5 **22-8-106. Number of judges in each precinct.**

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7 At least three (3) judges shall be appointed for each
8 precinct. Additional judges may be appointed in a precinct
9 as determined necessary by the county clerk. No more than
10 one (1) person under the age of eighteen (18) may be
11 appointed as an election judge for each precinct.

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13 **22-8-108. Appointment, composition and authority of**
14 **counting boards; when judges to count.**

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16 (a) The county clerk shall appoint a counting board
17 for each paper ballot precinct casting more than three
18 hundred (300) votes at the last general election, and may
19 appoint a counting board in such a precinct in which one
20 hundred fifty (150) or more such votes were cast at such
21 election. A counting board shall have three (3) members or
22 more to facilitate the counting of votes. No more than one
23 (1) person under the age of eighteen (18) may be appointed
24 as to each counting board.

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2 (b) A counting board shall be appointed for each
3 designated counting center in each county using an
4 electronic voting system. The board shall consist of at
5 least seven (7) members who shall be the county clerk or
6 his designated deputy, and three (3) members of each major
7 political party appointed by the county clerk. Additional
8 members may be appointed by the county clerk if deemed
9 necessary by the county clerk but equal major party
10 membership shall be assured. No more than one (1) person
11 under the age of eighteen (18) may be appointed as to each
12 counting board.

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14 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2005.

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