

ORIGINAL HOUSE
BILL NO. 0003

ENROLLED ACT NO. 17, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FIFTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2005 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to coroners; restricting and otherwise modifying the definition of coroner cases; providing additional definitions relating to coroner cases; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 7-4-104(a)(i)(intro), (E), (G), (H), by creating new subparagraphs (J) and (K) and by creating new paragraphs (iv) and (v) is amended to read:

7-4-104. Definitions.

(a) As used in this chapter:

(i) "Coroner's case" means a case involving a death which was not anticipated and which may involve any of the following conditions:

(E) The deceased was unattended ~~or had not seen a physician within six (6) months prior to death by a~~ physician or other licensed health care provider;

(G) The deceased was a prisoner, trustee, inmate or patient of any county or state corrections facility or state hospital, whether or not the death is unanticipated; ~~or~~

(H) If the cause is unknown, or cannot be certified by a physician;

(J) A public health hazard is presented; or

(K) The identity of the victim is unknown or the body is unclaimed.

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(iv) "Anticipated death" means the death of an individual who had been diagnosed by a physician acting within the scope of his license as being afflicted with an illness or disease reasonably likely to result in death, and there is no cause to believe the death occurred for any reasons other than those associated with the illness or disease;

(v) "Unattended" means the deceased had not been under the care of a physician or other health care provider acting within the scope of his license within sixty (60) days immediately prior to the date of death.

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Section 2. This act is effective immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____
DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

Chief Clerk