HOUSE BILL NO. ____

Municipal animal control officers-authority.

Sponsored by: Joint Corporations, Elections and Political Subdivisions Interim Committee

A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to cities and towns; authorizing cities and
- 2 towns to appoint special municipal officers who are not
- 3 certified as peace officers; authorizing special municipal
- 4 officers to issue citations to persons as specified;
- 5 conforming provisions; providing limitations; providing a
- 6 definition; and providing for an effective date.

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

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- 10 **Section 1.** W.S. 7-2-103 by creating a new subsection
- 11 (e) and 15-1-103(a) by creating a new paragraph (xlx) is
- 12 amended to read:

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14 7-2-103. Issuance of citations.

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1	(e) For purposes of this section, "issuing officer"
2	means a peace officer, or a special municipal officer
3	acting in accordance with the terms of his appointment
4	under W.S. 15-1-103(a)(xlx). A "special municipal officer"
5	means a municipal employee whose duties include the areas
6	of animal control, parking or municipal code enforcement.
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8	15-1-103. General powers of governing bodies.
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10	(a) The governing bodies of all cities and towns may:
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12	(xlx) Appoint special municipal officers who are
13	not certified as peace officers to issue citations to
14	individuals for the limited purpose of enforcing
15	ordinances, resolutions and regulations in the areas of
16	animal control, parking and municipal code enforcement.
17	Special municipal officers are not law enforcement officers
18	for purposes of employee benefits provided in title 9 of
19	Wyoming statutes, shall not be required to carry a firearm
20	and shall not have the power of arrest.
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22	Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2007.
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24	(END)