

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0116

Qualified electors-age requirement.

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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to elections; allowing persons who will
2 reach the age of eighteen by the general election to vote
3 in the preceding primary election; and providing for an
4 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. 22-1-102(a)(xxvi), 22-2-119,
9 22-3-102(a)(ii) and 22-3-103(b) are amended to read:

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11 **22-1-102. Definitions.**

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13 (a) The definitions contained in this chapter apply
14 to words and phrases used in this Election Code and govern
15 the construction of those words and phrases unless they are

1 specifically modified by the context in which they appear.

2 As used in this Election Code:

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4 (xxvi) "Qualified elector" includes every
5 citizen of the United States who is a bona fide resident of
6 Wyoming, has registered to vote and will be at least
7 eighteen (18) years of age on the day of the election at
8 which he may offer to vote, except as provided in W.S.
9 21-2-119(b). No person is a qualified elector who is a
10 currently adjudicated mentally incompetent person, or who
11 has been convicted of a felony and his civil or voting
12 rights have not been restored. A literacy test shall not be
13 imposed as a condition to voting in any election;

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15 **22-2-119. Qualified elector may vote.**

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17 (a) Except as specifically provided otherwise a
18 person may vote only if he is a qualified elector and only
19 in the precinct in which he resides.

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21 (b) A person who has not yet reached eighteen (18)
22 years of age but who will be eighteen (18) years of age at
23 the time of the next general election and meets all other
24 qualifications in order to vote in a primary election may

1 vote in the primary election for the selection of
2 candidates to be on the ballot at that general election.

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4 **22-3-102. Qualifications; temporary registration.**

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6 (a) A person may register to vote not less than
7 thirty (30) days before an election, at any election
8 specified in W.S. 22-2-101(a)(i) through (viii) or as
9 provided by W.S. 22-3-117, who satisfies the following
10 qualifications:

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12 (ii) He will be at least eighteen (18) years of
13 age on the day of the next election, or in the case of a
14 primary election, he will be at least eighteen (18) years
15 of age on the day of the next general election;

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17 **22-3-103. Furnishing of oath forms; contents thereof.**

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19 (b) Following the provision of the information
20 required in subsection (a) of this section, the form shall
21 require the applicant's signature in full below the
22 following oath:

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1 I,, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a
2 citizen of the United States; that I am a bona fide
3 resident of the state of Wyoming and this county; that I
4 will be at least eighteen (18) years of age on or before
5 the next election, or in the case of a primary election, I
6 will be at least eighteen (18) years of age on the day of
7 the next general election; that I am not now
8 registered in another county or state; that I am not
9 currently adjudicated a mentally incompetent person, that I
10 have not been convicted of a felony, or if I have been
11 convicted of a felony, I have had my civil or voting rights
12 restored by a competent authority; and that the voter
13 registration information contained herein is true and
14 accurate to my best knowledge and belief.

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16 (Signature in full of applicant)

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18 Subscribed and affirmed or sworn to before me by
19 this day of, (year).

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21 (Signature and title of registry agent or person
22 authorized to administer oaths)

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1 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2007.

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