

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0188

Endangering children and unborn-methamphetamine.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Mercer, Hallinan, Martin, Wallis and Zwonitzer, Dn. and Senator(s) Fecht and Sessions

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to children; providing that criminal child  
2 endangerment includes prenatal exposure to methamphetamine  
3 as specified; amending a definition; providing that child  
4 abuse includes exposing children to methamphetamine;  
5 providing penalties; and providing for an effective date.

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

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 6-4-405 by creating new subsections  
10 (c) and (d) and by amending and renumbering (c) as (e) is  
11 amended to read:

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13 **6-4-405. Endangering children; controlled substances;**  
14 **penalty.**

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1 (c) No person who is pregnant with a viable fetus as  
2 defined by W.S. 35-6-101(a)(vii) shall knowingly and  
3 willfully possess, store, manufacture or ingest  
4 methamphetamine or remain in a room, dwelling or vehicle  
5 where that person knows that methamphetamine is currently  
6 possessed, stored, manufactured or ingested.

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8 (d) No person shall knowingly possess, store,  
9 manufacture or ingest methamphetamine in a room, dwelling  
10 or vehicle where that person knows a person who is pregnant  
11 with a viable fetus as defined by W.S. 35-6-101(a)(vii) is  
12 present.

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14 ~~(e)~~(e) Any person who violates any of the provisions  
15 of ~~subsections~~subsection (a), ~~or~~ (b) or (c) of this  
16 section is guilty of ~~endangering a child~~a felony  
17 punishable by imprisonment for not more than five (5)  
18 years, a fine of not more than five thousand dollars  
19 (\$5,000.00), or both.

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

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23 (END)