

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0204

Campus security study.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Gay

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to public safety; providing for a study of
2 security at Wyoming's institutions of higher education;
3 requiring a report; and providing for an effective date.

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

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7 **Section 1.**

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9 (a) The Wyoming community college commission and the
10 University of Wyoming shall jointly conduct a study to
11 consider the security of Wyoming public institutions of
12 higher education including the University of Wyoming and
13 the Wyoming community colleges. The study shall examine:

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15 (i) Security procedures and protocols at the
16 University of Wyoming and Wyoming community colleges;

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2 (ii) The efficacy of emergency response plans at
3 each campus;

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5 (iii) Physical infrastructure at each campus and
6 its impact on security;

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8 (iv) Current security staffing and staff
9 training;

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11 (v) Professional development opportunities for
12 nonsworn security officers;

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14 (vi) Opportunities for enhancing communication
15 between campus security and first responders, including an
16 evaluation of the Wyolink system;

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18 (vii) Recognition of police officer standards
19 and training certification from other states and the
20 provision of streamlined refresher training for certified
21 officers who have been out of service for more than twelve
22 (12) months;

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1 (viii) Campus compliance with the reporting
2 standards of the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security
3 Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, as amended by the
4 Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA), Public Law 110-
5 315;

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7 (ix) Security inequities and inadequacies among
8 the several institutions;

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10 (x) The financial, physical and human resources
11 necessary to resolve any identified issues of inadequate or
12 inequitable security at each institution;

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14 (xi) Any other issues positively or negatively
15 impacting the ability of the University of Wyoming or
16 Wyoming community colleges to provide secure campuses or
17 which impact the readiness of each institution to prevent
18 and effectively respond to campus security events.

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20 (b) The goal of the study shall be to determine the
21 readiness of each institution to prevent and effectively
22 respond to campus security events.

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1 (c) The Wyoming community college commission and the
2 University of Wyoming shall provide a report to the joint
3 education interim committee and the joint appropriations
4 interim committee on or before September 1, 2015,
5 presenting their findings and conclusions. The findings
6 and conclusions of the study shall not be construed to
7 limit, restrict or otherwise affect a person's right to
8 carry and use firearms as otherwise provided by law.

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10 (d) The joint education interim committee may
11 introduce legislation in the 2016 session as it determines
12 appropriate to resolve identified issues of inadequate or
13 inequitable security at each institution. The legislation
14 may provide an appropriation, as necessary, to fund
15 security improvements at each institution.

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

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