

SENATE FILE NO. SF0123

Collective bargaining for fire fighters.

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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to collective bargaining for fire fighters;  
2 modifying definitions; providing for nonbinding  
3 arbitration; 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.** W.S. 27-10-101(a)(ii), 27-10-104,  
8 27-10-105 and 27-10-107 are amended to read:

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10 **27-10-101. Definitions.**

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1 (a) As used in this act the following terms shall,  
2 unless the context requires a different interpretation,  
3 have the following meanings:

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5 (ii) The term "corporate authorities" shall mean  
6 the council, commission or other proper officials or their  
7 designees of any city, town or county, whose duty or duties  
8 it is to establish wages, salaries, rates of pay, working  
9 conditions, and other conditions of employment of fire  
10 fighters.

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12 **27-10-104. Obligation of city, town or county to meet**  
13 **with agent after written notice; written contract of**  
14 **agreement.**

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16 It shall be the obligation of the city, town or county,  
17 through its corporate authorities, or their designees, to  
18 meet and confer in good faith with the representative or  
19 representatives of the bargaining agent within ten (10)  
20 days after receipt of written notice from said bargaining  
21 agent of the request for a meeting for collective  
22 bargaining purposes. This obligation shall include the duty  
23 to cause any agreement resulting from negotiations to be

1 reduced to a written contract, provided that no such  
2 contract shall exceed the term of two (2) years.

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4 **27-10-105. When issues to be submitted to**  
5 **arbitration.**

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7 In the event that the bargaining agent and the corporate  
8 authorities are unable, within thirty (30) days from and  
9 including the date of their first meeting, to reach an  
10 agreement on a contract, any and all unresolved issues  
11 shall be submitted to arbitration which arbitration shall  
12 be nonbinding and advisory only to the governing body. The  
13 governing body shall have final determination on all  
14 contract terms.

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16 **27-10-107. Arbitration procedure.**

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18 Arbitration shall proceed pursuant to the provisions of the  
19 Uniform Arbitration Act, provided, however, that  
20 arbitration shall be nonbinding.

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

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