HOUSE BILL NO. HB0010

County officers-bond amounts and surety requirement.

Sponsored by: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to county officers; increasing the amount 2 of the bond that county officers are required to give as

3 specified; eliminating a requirement for multiple sureties

4 for county officers; specifying applicability; and

5 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. 5-3-208, 7-4-101 and 18-3-102(a)(i)
- 10 and (iii) through (vi) are amended to read:

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12 5-3-208. Amount of bond; conditions.

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14 Each clerk upon entering on the duties of his office, shall

15 give a bond in the penal sum of not less than ten thousand

16 dollars (\$10,000.00) one hundred thousand dollars

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1 (\$100,000.00) to the county with two (2) or more sufficient

2 sureties to be approved by the county commissioners

3 conditioned upon the faithful performance of the duties of

4 his office, the proper collection and turning over all fees

5 and the proper payment of all moneys collected by him and

6 he shall from time to time give such additional bond as the

7 judge of the court may require.

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9 7-4-101. Election; oath; bond.

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11 A coroner shall be elected in each county for a term of

12 four (4) years. He shall take the oath prescribed by the

13 constitution of the state and give bond to the state of

14 Wyoming, in the penal sum of one thousand dollars

15 (\$1,000.00) one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00),

16 with a sufficient sureties surety, to be approved by the

17 board of county commissioners, conditioned that he will

18 faithfully perform all duties required by law.

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20 18-3-102. County officers required to execute bonds;

21 amount; sureties; penalty.

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1 (a) All county officers, except county attorneys, 2 before assuming the duties of their office and within 3 twenty (20) days after the commencement of the term for 4 which they were elected or appointed, shall take, subscribe and file the oath of office, and execute and file their 5 official bonds to the state of Wyoming to insure the honest 6 and faithful performance of their duties, in the penal 7 8 amounts specified and according to the following 9 provisions: 10 11 (i) County assessor: a bond approved by the board of county commissioners of five thousand dollars 12 (\$5,000.00) one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) with 13 at least two (2) sureties a sufficient surety who are 14 residents is a resident of the county or of a responsible 15 16 surety company; 17 (iii) County clerk: a bond filed with the county 18 19 treasurer of not less than four thousand dollars 20 (\$4,000.00) one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) with at least two (2) sureties a sufficient surety; 21

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              (iv) County commissioners: a bond approved by
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    the clerk of the district court of one thousand dollars
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    ($1,000.00) one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000.00);
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              (v) County sheriff: a bond approved by the board
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    of county commissioners of <del>four thousand dollars</del>
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    (\$4,000.00) one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) with
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    sufficient surety;
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              (vi) County surveyor: a bond of one thousand
    dollars ($1,000.00) one hundred thousand dollars
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    ($100,000.00) with sufficient sureties surety;
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         Section 2. The provisions of this act shall apply to
    any clerk of district court, county assessor, county
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    coroner, county clerk, county commissioner, county sheriff
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    or county surveyor whose term of office commences on and
    after the effective date of this act.
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         Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2023.
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