HOUSE BILL NO. HB0066

Prohibiting mask, vaccine and testing discrimination.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Ward, Allemand, Angelos,
Banks, Haroldson, Hornok, Knapp, Locke,
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Senator(s) Hutchings and Salazar

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to public health and safety; prohibiting

2 discrimination and publishing or advertising based on a

3 person's vaccination, face covering or medical testing

4 status as specified; providing a criminal penalty;

5 providing definitions; making conforming amendments;

6 repealing immunization requirements; and providing for an

7 effective date.

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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

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11 **Section 1**. W.S. 35-4-140 is created to read:

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13 35-4-140. Discrimination based on facial coverings,

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14 vaccination status and medical testing; penalties.

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1 (a) As used in this section: 2 3 4 (i) "COVID-19" means as defined by W.S. 1-1-141(a)(ii);5 6 7 (ii) "Facial covering" means mask or protective covering for the mouth and nose, typically worn 8 to reduce the spread of an infectious virus or disease; 9 10 11 (iii) "Medical testing" means testing performed to detect, diagnose or monitor an infectious virus or 12 disease including, but not limited to, molecular testing, 13 temperature checks, nasal swabbing, nasopharyngeal 14 swabbing, oropharyngeal swabbing, saliva testing, antigen 15 testing, antibody testing, urinalysis and blood testing; 16 17 (iv) "Vaccination" 18 the of means act 19 administering a vaccine; 20

21 (v) "Vaccine" means any substance including 22 live, weakened or dead viruses designed to be administered

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1 to a person to produce immunity and prevent infectious

2 viruses and diseases.

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4 (b) No person shall:

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6 (i) Refuse, withhold from or deny to a person

any services, goods, facilities, advantages or privileges

8 that are public in nature or that invite the patronage of

9 the public based on a person's COVID-19 or any other

10 infectious virus or disease vaccination status, whether a

11 person is not wearing a face covering or whether a person

12 refuses to submit to medical testing;

patronage of the public.

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14 (ii) Publish, display or mail, either directly or indirectly, any communication, notice or advertisement 15 16 that states that a person is required to wear a face 17 covering, is required to have a COVID-19 or any other infectious virus or disease vaccination or is required to 18 19 submit to medical testing as a condition for receiving or 20 accessing services, goods, facilities, advantages and 21 privileges that are public in nature or that invite the

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1 (c) Any person that violates subsection (b) of this

2 section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a

3 fine not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) or by

4 imprisonment for not to exceed one (1) year, or both.

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6 **Section 2.** W.S. 14-4-116, 21-4-309 and 21-24-104(c)

7 are repealed.

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9 **Section 3.** This act is effective immediately upon

10 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law

11 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming

12 Constitution.

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14 (END)