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INTRODUCTION**

SENATE FILE NO. _____

Circuit court hearings of municipal violations by juveniles.

Sponsored by: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to juveniles; authorizing prosecution of
2 violations of municipal ordinances in circuit court as
3 specified; providing for probation revocation proceedings
4 for violations of municipal or circuit court sentences; 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. 5-9-105 and 14-6-203(f)(intro) and by
10 creating a new paragraph (vi) are amended to read:

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12 **5-9-105. Extending jurisdiction to try misdemeanors**
13 **committed in violation of city or town ordinances.**

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2 (a) The governing body of any city or town situate
3 within a judicial district in which a circuit court is
4 established may petition the supreme court to extend the
5 jurisdiction of the circuit court to determine and try all
6 persons charged with violation of the ordinances of the
7 city or town. The contribution that the city or town will
8 make toward the expenses of the circuit court whose
9 jurisdiction includes enforcing the ordinances of the city
10 or town shall be set and paid as provided by written
11 contract of the circuit judges and the governing board of
12 the city or town involved, with the approval of the supreme
13 court.

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15 (b) In accordance with W.S. 14-6-203(f), the district
16 attorney may prosecute violations of the ordinances of a
17 city or town against a minor in the circuit court of the
18 district attorney's jurisdiction, provided an agreement
19 under paragraph (a) of this section has been
20 approved. Proceedings under this section may be commenced
21 in the county where the child is living or is present when
22 the proceedings are commenced, or in the county where the
23 alleged delinquent act occurred.

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2 **14-6-203. Jurisdiction; confidentiality of records.**

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4 (f) The district attorney shall establish objective
5 criteria, screening and assessment procedures for
6 determining the court for appropriate disposition in
7 cooperation and coordination with each municipality in the
8 jurisdiction of the district court. The district attorney
9 shall serve as the single point of entry for all minors
10 alleged to have committed a crime. Except as otherwise
11 provided in this section, copies of all charging documents,
12 reports or citations for cases provided in this subsection
13 shall be forwarded to the district attorney prior to the
14 filing of the charge, report or citation in municipal or
15 city court. The following cases, excluding status offenses,
16 may be ~~originally~~ commenced either in the juvenile court or
17 in the district court or inferior court having
18 jurisdiction:

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20 (vi) Probation revocation proceedings from a
21 minor's violation of his municipal or circuit court
22 sentence.

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2 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2010.

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