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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO. _____

Hospital districts-staggered terms.

Sponsored by: Joint Corporations, Elections and Political
Subdivisions Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to hospital districts; providing for five
2 year terms for board members after initial staggered terms;
3 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. 18-8-104(a) is amended to read:

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9 **18-8-104. Hospital generally under control of board**
10 **of trustees; appointment, powers and duties of trustees;**
11 **incorporation; use of funds for erection of hospital; term**
12 **of lease; consolidation of hospitals; acquisition of land;**
13 **removal of board member; filling of vacancies.**

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2 (a) The erection, management and control of the
3 county memorial hospital, county memorial hospital fund and
4 all property and funds received for the benefit of the
5 hospital shall be by a board of trustees composed of at
6 least five (5) but not more than eleven (11) competent and
7 responsible citizens of the county appointed by the board
8 of county commissioners. The number of members of any
9 board of trustees shall be an odd number determined by the
10 county commissioners. The first board of trustees, or
11 additional members to a board of trustees, as soon as
12 appointed shall draw lots for the purpose of determining
13 the term of each member of the board. Up to two (2) members
14 of the original board or additional members of the board
15 shall serve for a term of one (1) year, up to two (2) for a
16 term of two (2) years, up to two (2) for a term of three
17 (3) years, up to two (2) for a term of four (4) years and
18 up to two (2) for a term of five (5) years after their
19 appointment. Terms thereafter shall be five (5) years,
20 consecutively staggered. Each trustee shall serve until
21 the first Monday of July following the expiration of their
22 term and the board of county commissioners annually at
23 their meeting in June shall appoint a successor to the

1 trustee or trustees whose term expires. As soon as the
2 original board has determined the terms of its members they
3 shall organize by electing a president, secretary and
4 treasurer of the board. As soon as they are organized they
5 shall file with the county clerk and the secretary of state
6 a certificate showing their organization, for which filing
7 no fee or charge shall be paid. Upon filing the
8 certificate the board of trustees is a body corporate with
9 power to sue and be sued under the name of "Board of
10 Trustees of the Memorial Hospital of County". No
11 individual member of the board of trustees is personally
12 liable for any action or procedure of the board. The
13 corporation has perpetual existence and it is not necessary
14 to file any other or further certificate than that filed
15 upon the original organization of the board of trustees.

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17 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2012.

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