

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0166

Child endangerment-controlled substances.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Harvey, Osborn, Parady and Reese and Senator(s) Barrasso and Northrup

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to child endangerment; establishing a crime
2 for causing or permitting a child to ingest or to be
3 present where a controlled substance is or has been
4 manufactured as specified; providing a penalty; 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. 6-4-405 is created to read:

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11 **6-4-405. Endangering children; controlled substances;**
12 **penalty.**

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14 (a) No person shall:

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16 (i) Knowingly cause or permit any child to:

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(A) Absorb, inhale or otherwise ingest any amount of a controlled substance in violation of the Wyoming Controlled Substance Act of 1971;

(B) Be placed in a situation where methamphetamine is manufactured or sold; or

(C) Enter and remain in a room, dwelling or vehicle knowing that purposely altered or condensed chemicals to be used to manufacture controlled substances, or the hazardous waste created by the manufacture of controlled substances, are present.

(b) No person having the care of custody of a child shall permit the child to remain in a situation where controlled substances are possessed, stored or ingested in violation of the Wyoming Controlled Substance Act of 1971.

(c) No person shall knowingly sell, give or otherwise furnish a child any drug prohibited by law without a physicians' prescription.

1 (d) Any person who violates any of the provisions of
2 subsections (a) through (c) of this section is guilty of
3 endangering a child punishable by imprisonment for not more
4 than five (5) years, a fine of not more than five thousand
5 dollars (\$5,000.00), or both.

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7 **Section 2.** W.S. 6-4-403(b)(iv) is repealed.

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9 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2004.

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