

SENATE FILE NO. SF0076

Court-ordered placements-2.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Sessions, Anderson, J., Devin,  
Job, Mockler and Vasey and Representative(s)  
Hinckley and Simpson

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to court ordered placements of children;  
2 requiring school districts to develop educational and  
3 transition plans for children placed in juvenile detention  
4 facilities; and providing for an effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 21-13-315(b) is amended to read:

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10 **21-13-315. Costs of court ordered placement of**  
11 **children in private residential treatment facilities and**  
12 **homes.**

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14 (b) The department using federal or foundation funds,  
15 or both, shall pay for the allowable education costs of  
16 juvenile and district court ordered placements of children

1 residing in private treatment facilities and group homes  
2 where a fee is charged, including court ordered placements  
3 in programs for children with disabilities provided by a  
4 board of cooperative educational services. If a child is  
5 placed in a juvenile detention facility, the child's school  
6 district of residency, as declared by the court under  
7 subsection (h) of this section, shall develop and  
8 facilitate the implementation of an educational plan  
9 designed to maintain the child's education placement and to  
10 provide for the transition of the child from the detention  
11 facility to the district at the end of the detention  
12 period. The court shall immediately notify the district of  
13 residency of any ordered placement in a juvenile detention  
14 facility under this subsection. No district shall receive  
15 funds, either directly or indirectly, from any facility or  
16 home receiving payment under this section for providing  
17 education programs and services to children placed and  
18 residing in the facility or home, but the district may  
19 count the children among its average daily membership. The  
20 department of education shall adopt reasonable rules and  
21 regulations prescribing standards and allowable costs for  
22 educational program services funded under this section.  
23 Standards shall be subject to W.S. 21-9-101 and 21-9-102  
24 and rules and regulations of the state board and shall be

1 designed to fit the unique populations of residential  
2 centers, group homes, programs and services provided by  
3 boards of cooperative educational services and out of state  
4 placement facilities.

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6 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2004.

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