ORIGINAL HOUSE BILL NO. 0145

ENROLLED ACT NO. 61, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FIFTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2005 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to election judges and counting boards; specifying age requirements; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 22-8-101(b) and (c), 22-8-102, 22-8-106 and 22-8-108(a) and (b) are amended to read:

22-8-101. Notice of election officials needed; county chairmen to submit list of names; municipal clerks list of names appointment.

(b) Not later than the third Tuesday of May in each general election year the county chairman of each major and minor political party in each county may certify to the county clerk a list of registered electors residing in the county and affiliated with the party, and a list of persons who are at least sixteen (16) years of age who otherwise meet all requirements for qualification as an elector, who are willing to serve as a judge of election or as a member of a counting board.

(c) Not later than the third Tuesday of May in each general election year municipal clerks may submit to the county clerk a list of registered electors, and a list of persons who are at least sixteen (16) years of age who otherwise meet all requirements for qualification as an elector, residing in the municipality they represent who are willing to serve as a judge of election or as a member of a counting board.

22-8-102. Qualifications.

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Except as otherwise provided by this section, judges of election and members of counting boards shall be registered electors and shall be physically, morally and mentally competent to perform their duties. The county clerk may appoint persons who are at least sixteen (16) years of age to serve as judges of election or members of counting boards if such persons meet all other requirements for qualification of an elector. A judge of election shall not be a member of a counting board at the same election except as provided by W.S. 22-8-108(d).

22-8-106. Number of judges in each precinct.

At least three (3) judges shall be appointed for each precinct. Additional judges may be appointed in a precinct as determined necessary by the county clerk. No more than one (1) person under the age of eighteen (18) may be appointed as an election judge for each precinct.

22-8-108. Appointment, composition and authority of counting boards; when judges to count.

(a) The county clerk shall appoint a counting board for each paper ballot precinct casting more than three hundred (300) votes at the last general election, and may appoint a counting board in such a precinct in which one hundred fifty (150) or more such votes were cast at such election. A counting board shall have three (3) members or more to facilitate the counting of votes. <u>No more than one</u> (1) person under the age of eighteen (18) may be appointed as to each counting board.

(b) A counting board shall be appointed for each designated counting center in each county using an electronic voting system. The board shall consist of at least seven (7) members who shall be the county clerk or

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his designated deputy, and three (3) members of each major political party appointed by the county clerk. Additional members may be appointed by the county clerk if deemed necessary by the county clerk but equal major party membership shall be assured. <u>No more than one (1) person</u> <u>under the age of eighteen (18) may be appointed as to each</u> counting board.

Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2005.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: ______ DATE APPROVED:

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

Chief Clerk