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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO. _____

Community juvenile services.

Sponsored by: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to community juvenile services; repealing
2 references to multidisciplinary teams in the Community
3 Juvenile Services Act; specifying membership of community
4 juvenile services boards; specifying requirements for
5 community juvenile services boards to qualify for state
6 funding; requiring a report; providing an appropriation;
7 and providing for an effective date.

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

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11 **Section 1.** W.S. 14—9—105 and 14—9—108(a) by
12 creating a new paragraphs (iv) and by creating a new
13 subsection (c) are amended to read:

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1 **14-9-105. Community juvenile services boards.**

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3 (a) A county may, in accordance with the Wyoming

4 Joint Powers Act, enter into an agreement with one (1) or

5 more counties, any or all cities within the county or

6 counties, and any or all school districts within the county

7 or counties, to form a joint powers board to serve as a

8 community juvenile services board under this act. The

9 board shall include representation from the following

10 entities within the jurisdictional boundaries of the

11 community juvenile services board:

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13 (i) A representative of local field offices of

14 the department of family services;

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16 (ii) A representative of local field offices of

17 the department of health;

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19 (iii) A representative from the local school

20 districts;

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22 (iv) A representative from prosecuting

23 attorneys' offices;

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2 (v) A representative from local police3 departments and sheriff's offices;

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5 (vi) Representatives from the boards of county6 commissioners;

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8 (vii) A representative from a local or regional9 mental health provider;

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11 (vii) Any other professional who has particular12 knowledge or expertise in children or young adult services.

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14 **14-9-108. Grant eligibility; allocation of funds.**

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16 (a) To qualify for a grant under this act, an
17 applicant shall:

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19 (iv) Develop a system approved by the department20 for:

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1 (A) Central intake and assessment of
2 juvenile offenders with an initial point of contact
3 established within the community;

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5 (B) The development or adoption of criteria
6 for juvenile diversion, short-term detention and longer-
7 term shelter care services, including standards for
8 assessments, admissions, twenty-four (24) hour intakes,
9 predispositional detentions and shelter care standards;

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11 (C) The development of a continuum of
12 nonsecure services, including early intervention,
13 diversion, community service and other sanctions which may
14 include citations, counseling, parenting education, day
15 treatment and aftercare following twenty-four (24) hour
16 placements; and

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18 (D) The identification of other funding
19 sources for local juvenile services.

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21 (c) Services for juvenile offenders under this
22 section shall be paid directly by the department of family
23 to the providers of those services.

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2 **Section 2.** W.S. 14-9-103(a)(v) and

3 14-9-106(b)(iii)(D) are repealed.

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5 **Section 3.** The department of family services shall
6 report to the joint judiciary interim committee and the
7 joint appropriations interim committee no later than June
8 30, 2009, with respect to the community juvenile services
9 boards receiving funds under this act, the scope of
10 juvenile offender services identified or developed by the
11 community juvenile services boards, the costs of services
12 provided through the efforts of the community juvenile
13 services boards, the number of juveniles offenders served
14 and the dispositions of their cases, and any
15 recommendations for improvements to the delivery of
16 juvenile justice services throughout the state.

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18 **Section 4.** Notwithstanding W.S. 9-2-1008, 9-2-1012(e)
19 and 9-4-207(a), not more than two million dollars
20 (\$2,000,000.00) in unobligated monies appropriated from the
21 general fund to the department of family services in 2006
22 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 35, Section 2, Section 049,
23 for program services, shall not revert on June 30, 2008,

1 and are hereby appropriated to the department of family
2 services for the period beginning April 1, 2008 and ending
3 June 30, 2009 for the purposes specified in this act.

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5 **Section 5.** This act is effective immediately upon
6 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
7 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
8 Constitution.

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10 (END)