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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO. _____

Public health emergencies-volunteer immunity.

Sponsored by: Joint Labor, Health and Social Services
Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to public health and safety; providing
2 immunity from liability for volunteer health care providers
3 with inactive licenses as specified; and providing for an
4 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. 35-4-114 is amended to read:

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10 **35-4-114. Immunity from liability.**

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12 During a public health emergency any health care provider
13 or other person who in good faith follows the instructions

1 of the state health officer is immune from any liability
2 arising from complying with those instructions. This
3 immunity shall apply to health care providers whose
4 professional health care license is inactive and while
5 performing as a volunteer during a declared public health
6 emergency as defined by W.S. 35-4-115(a)(i). This immunity
7 shall not apply to acts or omissions constituting gross
8 negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.

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10 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2008.

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