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ENROLLED ACT NO. 68, SENATE

SIXTIETH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2009 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to juveniles; requiring criteria and procedures for determining jurisdiction; amending confidentiality of records provisions of the Juvenile Justice Act; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 14-6-203(f)(intro) and (g)(iv) is amended to read:

14-6-203. Jurisdiction; confidentiality of records.

The district attorney shall establish objective (f) criteria, screening and assessment procedures for determining the court for appropriate disposition in cooperation and coordination with each municipality in the jurisdiction of the district court. The district attorney shall serve as the single point of entry for all minors alleged to have committed a crime. Except as otherwise provided in this section, copies of all charging documents, reports or citations for cases provided in this subsection shall be forwarded to the district attorney prior to the filing of the charge, report or citation in municipal or city court. The following cases, excluding status offenses, may be originally commenced either in the juvenile court or district in the court or inferior court having jurisdiction:

(g) Except as provided by subsection (j) of this section, all information, reports or records made, received or kept by any municipal, county or state officer or employee evidencing any legal or administrative process or disposition resulting from a minor's misconduct are confidential and subject to the provisions of this act. The existence of the information, reports or records or

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contents thereof shall not be disclosed by any person unless:

(iv) The disclosure results from the information being shared with or between designated employees of any court, any law enforcement agency, any prosecutor's office, any employee of the victim services division within the office of the attorney general, any probation office or any employee of the department of family services or the minor's past or present school district who has been designated to share the information by the department of family services or by the school district <u>or anyone else</u> <u>designated</u> by the district attorney in determining the <u>appropriate court pursuant to a single point of entry</u> <u>assessment under this section</u>;

Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2009.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED:

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

Chief Clerk