

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0165

Adult adoption.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Lubnau and Senator(s) Hines and Ross

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to civil procedure; amending procedures and
2 requirements relating to adoption of adults as specified;
3 and providing for an effective date.

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

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 1-22-102 and 1-22-113 are amended to
8 read:

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10 **1-22-102. Persons subject to adoption.**

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12 (a) Any ~~person~~child may be adopted who is within
13 this state when the petition for adoption is filed.

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1 (b) Any adult may be adopted, regardless of his
2 residence within or outside of this state at the time the
3 petition is filed, provided:

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5 (i) The adult resided with the adopting parent
6 when the adult was a child;

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8 (ii) The adopting parent was a stepparent,
9 grandparent or other blood relative, foster parent or legal
10 guardian who participated in the raising of the adult when
11 the adult was a child; and

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13 (iii) The adult files a consent to the adoption
14 with the court.

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16 **1-22-113. Petition for adoption of an adult; consent**
17 **required.**

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19 When a petition to adopt an adult is filed a copy of the
20 petition together with a summons issued as in other civil
21 actions under Rule 4 of the Wyoming Rules of Civil
22 Procedure shall be served on the adult. If the adult
23 objects to adoption by the petitioner the petition shall be
24 dismissed. When the consent of the adult is given, the

1 petition shall be granted and a final decree of adoption
2 made and entered. The decree may change the name of the
3 adopted person.

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

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