

SENATE FILE NO. SF0073

Termination of parental rights.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Esquibel, F. and Nutting and
Representative(s) Connolly, Davison and
Goggles

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to termination of parental rights; adding
2 as grounds for termination conviction of sex abuse against
3 a child or registration as a sex offender; and providing
4 for an 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. 14-2-309(c)(intro), (ii) and by
9 creating new paragraphs (iv) and (v) is amended to read:

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11 **14-2-309. Grounds for termination of parent-child**
12 **relationship; clear and convincing evidence.**

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14 (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this
15 section, evidence that reasonable efforts have been made to
16 preserve and reunify the family is not required in any case

1 in which the court determines any one (1) or more of the
2 following by clear and convincing evidence: ~~that~~

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4 (ii) The parent abandoned, chronically abused,
5 tortured or sexually abused the child; ~~or~~

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7 (iv) The parent has been convicted of committing
8 sexual abuse against the child or another child of that
9 parent;

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11 (v) The parent is required to register with a
12 sex offender registry pursuant to the Sex Offender
13 Registration and Notification Act, 42 U.S.C. 16911 et seq.

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15 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2012.

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