

SENATE FILE NO. SF0171

Certification of documents.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Nicholas and Representative(s)
Simpson

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to certification of documents; providing a
2 mechanism to certify documents required to be sworn when a
3 notary public is not available; providing a penalty for
4 false swearing; and providing 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. 1-2-104 is created to read:

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10 **1-2-104. Certification of documents.**

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12 (a) A matter required or authorized to be supported,
13 evidenced, established or proven by the sworn statement,
14 declaration, verification, certificate, oath or affidavit,
15 in writing of the person making it (other than a
16 deposition, an acknowledgment, an oath of office or an oath

1 required to be taken before a specified official other than
2 a notary public) may be supported, evidenced, established
3 or proven by the person certifying in writing "under
4 penalty of false swearing" that the matter is true. The
5 certification shall state the date and place of execution
6 and the following:

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8 "I certify under penalty of false swearing that the
9 foregoing is true".

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11 (b) A person who knowingly makes a false certification
12 under subsection (a) of this section is guilty of false
13 swearing in violation of W.S. 6-5-303(c).

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15 **Section 2.** W.S. 6-5-303 by creating a new paragraph
16 (c) is created to read:

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18 **6-5-303. False swearing in nonjudicial or**
19 **nonadministrative proceeding; false claims or vouchers;**
20 **penalties.**

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22 (c) A person who knowingly makes a false
23 certification under W.S. 1-2-104 is guilty of a felony
24 punishable by imprisonment for not more than two (2) years,

1 a fine of not more than two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00),
2 or both.

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4 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2007.

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6 (END)