

SENATE FILE NO. SF0178

Specialty hospitals-2.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Barrasso and Perkins

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to licensing and operation of health care
2 facilities; providing requirements for specialty hospitals
3 licensure; providing a definition; granting rulemaking
4 authority; 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. 35-2-913 is created to read:

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10 **35-2-913. Specialty hospitals; requirements for**
11 **licensure.**

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13 (a) To be licensed under this chapter a specialty
14 hospital shall:

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16 (i) Provide a significant level of inpatient
17 care as defined by rule and regulation of the department;

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2 (ii) Comply with all standards, rules and
3 regulations adopted by the department for hospitals;

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5 (iii) Provide appropriate discharge planning;

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7 (iv) Require a referring physician to disclose
8 if the specialty hospital does not provide intensive care
9 services and notify the patient that if intensive care
10 services are required, the patient will be transferred to
11 another hospital; and

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13 (v) Provide continuous emergency services that
14 comply with requirements for emergency facilities as
15 established by the department.

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17 **Section 2.** W.S. 35-2-901(a) by creating a new
18 paragraph (xxiv) and by amending and renumbering (xxiv) as
19 (xxv) is amended to read:

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21 **35-2-901. Definitions; applicability of provisions.**

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23 (a) As used in this act:

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1 (xxiv) "Specialty hospital" means a licensed
2 hospital, organized or incorporated as an entity which
3 permits stays of twenty-four (24) hours or more and is
4 primarily or exclusively engaged in the care and treatment
5 of one (1) or more of the following:

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7 (A) Patients with a cardiac condition;

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9 (B) Patients with an orthopedic condition;

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11 (C) Patients receiving a surgical
12 procedure; and

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14 (D) Any other specialized category of
15 services as designated by the department, but shall not
16 include:

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18 (I) Psychiatric hospitals;

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20 (II) Rehabilitation hospitals;

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22 (III) Children's hospitals;

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24 (IV) Long-term care hospitals; and

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(V) Cancer treatment hospitals.

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~~(xxiv)~~ (xv) "This act" means W.S. 35-2-901
through ~~35-2-912~~ 35-2-913.

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Section 3. This act is effective immediately upon
completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
Constitution.

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