

SENATE FILE NO. SF0059

Road closure.

Sponsored by: Joint Transportation, Highways and Military
Affairs Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to highways; increasing the fine for
2 willfully failing to observe a road closure; establishing
3 standards for allowing a person to travel upon a closed
4 road; 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. 24-1-109 is amended to read:

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10 **24-1-109. Closing or restricting use; failure to**
11 **observe signs and markers; exceptions.**

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13 (a) Any person who willfully fails to observe any
14 sign, marker, warning, notice, or direction, placed or
15 given under W.S. 24-1-108 is guilty of a misdemeanor, and
16 upon conviction thereof by any court of competent

jurisdiction, shall be subject to a fine of not more than
~~one hundred dollars (\$100.00)~~ seven hundred fifty dollars
(\$750.00) or to imprisonment for a period not to exceed
thirty (30) days, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

(b) The department or state highway patrol may allow
a person to proceed past any sign, marker, warning, notice
or other device posted pursuant to W.S. 24-1-108 under the
following circumstances:

(i) The person requesting permission to travel
upon a closed road is seeking to travel to a destination
beyond the closure point, but in an area unaffected by the
conditions warranting the closure;

(ii) The department or state highway patrol
makes a determination there is no dangerous or hazardous
condition which would reasonably preclude the ability of
the person to travel on the closed portion of the highway;
and

(iii) The person making the request shall agree
to any conditions or requirements for traveling on the

1 closed portion of the highway which are imposed by the
2 department or state highway patrol.

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4 (c) Any permission granted under subsection (b) of
5 this section to travel upon a closed road shall be granted
6 by the department or the state highway patrol on a case-by-
7 case basis, unless otherwise determined by the department
8 or the highway patrol.

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

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