

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0122

No duty to retreat.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Quarberg, Buchanan,
Edmonds, Gingery, Illoway, Jaggi, Kroeker,
Lubnau, Peasley, Petersen, Teeters and
Vranish and Senator(s) Hicks and Jennings

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; allowing for the
2 use of physical or deadly force and providing there is no
3 duty to retreat under specified circumstances; and
4 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. 6-2-602 by creating a new subsection
9 (d) is amended to read:

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11 **6-2-602. Use of force in self defense.**

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13 (d) A person who is not engaged in an unlawful
14 activity and who is attacked in a place where he has a
15 right to be has no duty to retreat and has the right to

1 stand his ground and meet force with force, including
2 deadly force if he reasonably believes it is necessary to
3 do so to prevent death or serious bodily injury to himself
4 or another or to prevent the commission of a violent
5 felony.

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7 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2011.

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