

SENATE FILE NO. SF0146

Termination of parental rights.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Esquibel, F., Craft, Hastert,
Nutting and Perkins and Representative(s)
Connolly, Davison and Filer

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to children; expanding grounds for
2 termination of parental rights; and providing for an
3 effective date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 14-2-309(b) by creating new
8 paragraphs (iii) and (iv) is amended to read:

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10 **14-2-309. Grounds for termination of parent-child**
11 **relationship; clear and convincing evidence.**

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13 (b) Proof by clear and convincing evidence that the
14 parent has been convicted of any of the following crimes
15 may constitute grounds that the parent is unfit to have
16 custody or control of any child and may be grounds for

1 terminating the parent-child relationship as to any child
2 with no requirement that reasonable efforts be made to
3 reunify the family:

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5 (iii) Sexual assault under W.S. 6-2-302 through
6 6-2-304, sexual battery under W.S. 6-2-313 or sexual abuse
7 of a minor under W.S. 6-2-314 through 6-2-317. This
8 paragraph applies if the victim is a child of the parent;
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10 (iv) The parent is required to register as a sex
11 offender pursuant to W.S. 7-19-302 if the offense involved
12 the child or another child of that parent. This shall not
13 apply if the parent is only required to register for
14 conviction under W.S. 6-2-201.
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16 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2013.
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18 (END)