

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0155

Out-of-state prisoners.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Krone, Blake, Hunt, Miller,
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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to counties; authorizing contracts with
2 other states to house out-of-state prisoners in county
3 jails; providing for contract conditions as specified; 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. 18-6-317 is created to read:

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10 **18-6-317. Contract for housing out-of-state**
11 **prisoners; general conditions.**

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13 (a) Subject to approval by the board of county
14 commissioners and the provisions of this section, the
15 sheriff may contract with any other state for the housing

1 of prisoners in the county jail. The sheriff or keeper of
2 a jail to which any out-of-state prisoner is housed shall
3 be responsible for the safekeeping of the out-of-state
4 prisoner according to the terms of the contract. Funds
5 paid by any other state for the use of a county jail shall
6 be credited to the general fund of the county wherein the
7 jail is situated.

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9 (b) A contract to house out-of-state prisoners shall:

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11 (i) Not impact the ability of the county to
12 house county prisoners;

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14 (ii) Not include housing prisoners who have been
15 convicted of an offense which, if committed in Wyoming,
16 would result in incarceration in a state penal institution;

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18 (iii) Not require services be provided to
19 prisoners under the contract which the jail does not
20 currently provide;

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1 (iv) Provide flexibility to the sheriff to
2 reject or return prisoners to the state of origin within
3 thirty (30) days if:

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5 (A) The jail has reached or is near
6 capacity;

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8 (B) The sheriff determines that the
9 prisoner is a security or safety risk to jail staff or
10 other prisoners.

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12 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2016.

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14 (END)