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Enrolled Act No.: SEA No. 0047

Chapter No.: 95

Prime Sponsor: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

Catch Title: **Volunteer health care.**

Subject: Volunteers providing health care to low income persons granted state liability coverage.

Summary/Major Elements:

- This act creates the Volunteer Health Services Program under which health care providers and medical facilities may enter into contracts with the Department of Health to provide free health care services to low income individuals. Under this program, volunteer providers and medical facilities will be covered under the Wyoming Governmental Claims Act (WGCA) and the State Self-Insurance Pool (SSIP) for purposes of liability for claims of malpractice arising from the care provided under the program.
- This act requires notification to a person receiving free care that the right to sue for malpractice will be limited by the WGCA and the exclusive remedy for any injury is against the State of Wyoming.
- This act grants licensing boards the authority to grant continuing education credit to providers who provide volunteer care to low income persons.

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