

SENATE FILE NO. SF0141

Judicial nominating commission-senate confirmation.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Hicks and Representative(s) Lindholm

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the judicial nominating commission;  
2 requiring senate confirmation for elected and appointed  
3 voting members of the commission; providing applicability;  
4 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. 5-1-102(a) is amended to read:

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10 **5-1-102. Terms of judicial nominating commission**  
11 **members; expenses; confirmation; removal.**

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13 (a) The terms of the elected and appointed voting  
14 members of the judicial nominating commission created by  
15 Article 5, Section 4, Wyoming Constitution, shall be four (4)  
16 years except the initial term for one (1) attorney and one

1 (1) elector shall be two (2) years and the initial term for  
2 one (1) attorney and one (1) elector shall be three (3) years.  
3 The members of the Wyoming state bar initially elected to the  
4 commission shall draw lots to determine the term each shall  
5 serve. The governor shall designate whether the length of the  
6 term of electors he initially appoints to the commission shall  
7 be two (2), three (3) or four (4) years. Appointments made by  
8 the governor of voting members to the commission shall require  
9 senate confirmation. The governor may remove any member he  
10 appoints as provided in W.S. 9-1-202. Voting members of the  
11 commission elected by the Wyoming state bar shall require  
12 senate confirmation. The board of commissioners of the  
13 Wyoming state bar shall submit to the senate the name and  
14 address of each person elected to the commission by the  
15 applicable deadline contained in W.S. 28-12-101(a)(i) or (ii)  
16 for consideration. The senate, within five (5) legislative  
17 working days after submission by roll call vote, shall confirm  
18 or reject each person elected by the Wyoming state bar. The  
19 members of the Wyoming state bar may fill a vacancy on the  
20 commission occurring between sessions of the legislature by  
21 election of a temporary commission member to be effective  
22 until March 1 of the ensuing calendar year.

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1           **Section 2.** The qualification requirements of this act  
2 shall apply to judicial nominating commission members whose  
3 terms commence on or after the effective date of this act.

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5           **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2019.

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