

SENATE FILE NO. SF0157

Attorney general-elected official.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Bouchard and Representative(s) Clem

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the attorney general; providing for the  
2 election of the attorney general; designating the attorney  
3 general as a state elected official; setting the attorney  
4 general's term of office; providing for filling a vacancy in  
5 the position; repealing provision for interim appointment;  
6 providing for the application of the Ethics and Disclosure  
7 Act to the office of the attorney general; amending certain  
8 provisions regarding actions the attorney general takes  
9 requiring approval of or pursuant to the direction of the  
10 governor; prescribing additional duties of the attorney  
11 general; making conforming amendments; and providing for  
12 effective dates.

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

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1           **Section 1.** W.S. 9-1-601, 9-5-101(a), 9-5-109(m)(iii),  
2 22-2-105(a)(ii)(intro) and 22-6-117(a)(iv) are amended to  
3 read:

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5           **9-1-601. Appointment; term; removal; special assistant**  
6 **for legislative affairs; qualifications.**

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8           (a) Until the term of office commences following the  
9 general election in 2022, the attorney general of the state  
10 of Wyoming shall be appointed by the governor with the advice  
11 and consent of the senate in accordance with W.S. 28-12-101  
12 through 28-12-103 and may be removed by the governor as  
13 provided in W.S. 9-1-202. Beginning at the general election  
14 in 2022, the attorney general shall be elected in a statewide  
15 election for a term of four (4) years.

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17           (b) Prior to the general election in 2022, if a newly  
18 elected governor appoints an attorney general to take office  
19 prior to or during the legislative session next following the  
20 governor's election, the newly appointed attorney general  
21 designee shall become a member of the attorney general's staff  
22 to serve as a special assistant to the governor for  
23 legislative affairs. When the legislative session adjourns

1 the attorney general's term of office shall terminate.  
2 Following the general election in 2022, the term of an  
3 attorney general appointed under this section shall terminate  
4 the first Monday in January next following the general  
5 election.

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7 (c) ~~Prior to his~~ To be eligible for appointment or  
8 election, the attorney general shall have been a practicing  
9 attorney for at least four (4) years. ~~At the date of~~  
10 ~~appointment,~~ he shall be in good standing in the courts of  
11 record of this state and shall be a resident and elector of  
12 the state.

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14 **9-5-101. State building commission; composition;**  
15 **general powers and duties; conflicts of interest.**

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17 (a) The ~~five (5) elected state officers~~ governor,  
18 secretary of state, state auditor, state treasurer and state  
19 superintendent of public instruction shall constitute the  
20 state building commission. The governor shall be chairman of  
21 the commission, but in his absence from any meeting, one (1)  
22 of the members may act as chairman, and shall preside at the

1 meeting. All votes taken to decide the commission's final  
2 action on any matter shall be recorded.

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4 **9-5-109. Advisory task force on capitol building**  
5 **rehabilitation and restoration; composition; duties; account**  
6 **created.**

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8 (m) The advisory task force shall be comprised of:

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10 (iii) Five (5) members, one (1) each appointed by  
11 ~~each of the five (5) statewide elected officials~~ the governor,  
12 secretary of state, state auditor, state treasurer and state  
13 superintendent of public instruction;

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15 **22-2-105. Terms of office and offices voted on at**  
16 **general elections.**

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18 (a) The terms of office and offices voted on at general  
19 elections are as follows:

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21 (ii) Four Year Term. - At the general election in  
22 1974 and in every fourth ~~(4th)~~ year thereafter, there shall  
23 be elected the following officers: one (1) governor, one (1)

1 secretary of state, one (1) state treasurer, one (1) state  
2 auditor, one (1) superintendent of public instruction, county  
3 clerks, county treasurers, county assessors, county coroners,  
4 county and prosecuting attorneys, district attorneys,  
5 sheriffs, clerks of the district court. At every general  
6 election there shall be elected the necessary member or  
7 members of the Wyoming senate and county commissioners. At  
8 the general election in 2022 and every fourth year thereafter,  
9 there shall be elected an attorney general. The question of  
10 retention of a circuit court judge or a magistrate of the  
11 circuit court shall be submitted:

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13 **22-6-117. Order of listing offices in partisan**  
14 **elections.**

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16 (a) The major party primary and general partisan  
17 election ballots shall contain the offices to be voted on in  
18 the following order:

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20 (iv) Candidates for governor, secretary of state,  
21 state auditor, state treasurer, the attorney general  
22 beginning at the 2022 primary and general election, and  
23 superintendent of public instruction;

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2           **Section 2.** W.S. 1-26-509(k), 1-31-103, 1-35-103(a),  
3 1-35-104, 7-3-102, 7-22-101(a)(vi), 7-22-102(a) through (d),  
4 7-22-108(a), 8-1-102(a)(xii), 8-2-101(a)(vi), 9-1-101(b),  
5 9-1-211(a) by creating a new paragraph (vi) and by renumbering  
6 (vi) through (viii) as (vii) through (ix), 9-1-602,  
7 9-1-603(b) and (c), 9-1-604, 9-1-605(b) through (d),  
8 9-1-608(a) and (b), 9-1-611(c), 9-1-633(a) and (b)(intro),  
9 9-2-636(b) and (c)(intro), 9-2-1016(h)(i), 9-4-218(a)(iii),  
10 9-13-102(a)(xii)(A) and (xvi), 9-13-108(a)(intro), 9-14-101,  
11 9-14-102(c), 18-3-902(a), 28-1-115(g)(ii), 35-7-1004,  
12 35-11-1507(a) and 35-21-110(a) are amended to read:

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14           **1-26-509. Negotiations; scope of efforts to purchase.**

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16           (k) Attorney's fees and other expenses awarded under  
17 this section from a public entity to a condemnee shall be  
18 reported by the public entity which paid the fees, to the  
19 Wyoming attorney general within sixty (60) days of the award.  
20 The Wyoming attorney general shall collect this data and  
21 report annually to the ~~governor~~joint revenue interim  
22 committee and joint judiciary interim committee on the amount  
23 of all taxpayer funded fee awards, beginning July 31, 2014.

1 The report shall identify the name of each party to whom an  
2 award was made, the name of each counsel of record  
3 representing each party to whom an award was made, the public  
4 agency which paid each award and the total amount of each  
5 award.

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7 **1-31-103. Commencement of action.**

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9 The attorney general or a county attorney ~~shall~~may commence  
10 an action ~~when directed by the governor, supreme court or~~  
11 ~~legislature, or~~ when upon complaint or otherwise he has good  
12 reason to believe that such an action can be established by  
13 proof. The attorney general may commence an action when  
14 requested by the governor, supreme court or legislature. A  
15 county attorney shall commence an action when directed by the  
16 governor, supreme court or legislature.

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18 **1-35-103. Violation of state contracts to be reported**  
19 **to attorney general; investigation; action to recover**  
20 **damages; employment of special assistants.**

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22 (a) Any officer, board or commission of the state of  
23 Wyoming, or their legal counsel, responsible for the

1 enforcement of any contract between the state of Wyoming and  
2 any person, having reason to believe that there has been a  
3 violation of the terms of the contract to the damage of the  
4 state of Wyoming, shall report the matter to the attorney  
5 general of the state of Wyoming. The attorney general shall  
6 make such investigation of the matter as is necessary. Upon  
7 completion of the investigation and finding of probable  
8 damages to the state of Wyoming, the attorney general may  
9 bring suit in any court of competent jurisdiction to recover  
10 all damages that the state of Wyoming may have incurred by  
11 reason of the breach of contract, or for any money or other  
12 property that may be due on the contract. ~~Subject to the~~  
13 ~~governor's approval he~~ The attorney general may employ  
14 specially qualified assistants or counsel to aid in any  
15 investigation of such action.

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17 **1-35-104. Actions under control of attorney general;**  
18 **settlement or compromise with approval of governor.**

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20 The attorney general shall control all investigations and  
21 actions instituted and conducted in behalf of the state as  
22 provided in W.S. 1-35-103 and has full discretionary powers  
23 to prosecute all investigations and litigation and, ~~with the~~



1 ~~approval of the governor,~~ to settle, compromise or dismiss  
2 the actions.

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4       **7-3-102. Appointment of attorney general to represent**  
5 **state on joint commissions.**

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7 The ~~governor shall appoint the~~ attorney general is hereby  
8 appointed as the commissioner who shall represent Wyoming  
9 upon any joint commission created by Wyoming and any one (1)  
10 or more states for the purpose of negotiating and entering  
11 into agreements or compacts for cooperative effort and mutual  
12 assistance in the prevention of crime and in the enforcement  
13 of the respective criminal laws and policies of Wyoming and  
14 any other state and for the establishment of agencies deemed  
15 desirable for making effective any agreement or compact.

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17       **7-22-101. Definitions.**

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19       (a) As used in this article:

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21               (vi) "~~Five (5)~~ Six (6) state elected officials"  
22 means the governor, secretary of state, state auditor, state

1 treasurer, attorney general and superintendent of public  
2 instruction;

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4 **7-22-102. Authority to contract; general conditions.**

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6 (a) The state or a local government may contract with  
7 private entities for the construction, lease (as lessor or  
8 lessee), acquisition, improvement, operation, maintenance,  
9 purchase or management of facilities and services as provided  
10 in this article, but only after receiving the consent of the  
11 ~~five (5)~~ six (6) state elected officials as to site, number  
12 of beds and classifications of inmates or prisoners to be  
13 housed in the facility.

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15 (b) No contract shall be entered into or renewed unless  
16 the contracting governmental entity, with the concurrence of  
17 the ~~five (5)~~ six (6) state elected officials, determines the  
18 contract offers substantial cost savings to the contracting  
19 governmental entity and at least the same quality of services  
20 provided by the state or by similar local governments.

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22 (c) After receiving the majority consent of the ~~five~~  
23 ~~(5)~~ six (6) state elected officials as to the site, number of

1 beds and classifications of inmates or prisoners to be housed  
2 in the facility, the state or the local government may  
3 contract with private entities for the construction, lease  
4 (as lessor or lessee), acquisition, improvement, operation,  
5 maintenance, purchase or management of facilities, either:

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7 (d) The state or the local government may reject or  
8 return prisoners from outside the state. Prisoners or inmates  
9 of out-of-state, nonfederal jurisdictions shall not be  
10 incarcerated in any facility operated by a local government  
11 entity under this article without the consent of the majority  
12 of the ~~five (5)~~ six (6) state elected officials. ~~of this~~  
13 ~~state.~~ At no time shall the number of prisoners from  
14 out-of-state, nonfederal jurisdictions incarcerated in a  
15 facility operated by a local government entity under this  
16 article exceed thirty percent (30%) of the capacity of that  
17 facility. Any out-of-state, nonfederal prisoner shall be  
18 returned to the jurisdiction of origin to be released from  
19 custody by them, outside the state of Wyoming at the  
20 appropriate time.

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22 **7-22-108. Monitoring; right of access.**

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1           (a) The contracting governmental entity at the  
2 contractor's expense, shall employ an individual to be  
3 responsible for monitoring all aspects of the private  
4 contractor's performance under a contract for the operation  
5 of a facility pursuant to W.S. 7-22-102. The individual  
6 employed as contract monitor shall be qualified to perform  
7 this function by reason of education, training and experience  
8 as determined by the ~~five (5)~~ six (6) state elected officials.  
9 At a minimum, the contract monitor shall have completed at  
10 least the same training required by this article for detention  
11 officers and shall have served a minimum of three (3) years  
12 as a detention officer. The monitor, with the approval of the  
13 contracting governmental entity, shall appoint staff as  
14 necessary to assist in monitoring at the facility, which staff  
15 shall be at the contractor's expense and will be solely  
16 responsible to the contract monitor. The monitor or his  
17 designee shall be provided an on-site work area by the  
18 contractor, shall be on-site on a daily basis, and shall have  
19 access to all areas of the facility and to inmates and staff  
20 at all times. The contractor shall provide any and all data,  
21 reports and other materials that the monitor determines are  
22 necessary to carry out monitoring responsibilities under this  
23 section.

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2           **8-1-102. Definitions.**

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4           (a) As used in the statutes unless the legislature  
5 clearly specifies a different meaning or interpretation or  
6 the context clearly requires a different meaning:

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8                   (xii) "Elected state official" means the governor,  
9 secretary of state, state auditor, state treasurer, attorney  
10 general and superintendent of public instruction;

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12           **8-2-101. Distribution of statutes, supplements and**  
13 **session laws.**

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15           (a) Statutes, supplements and session laws shall be  
16 distributed as provided by contract with the publisher or as  
17 directed by the management council, to the following, without  
18 charge:

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20                   (vi) One (1) copy to each of the ~~five (5)~~ six (6)  
21 elected state officers;

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1           **9-1-101. Location of seat of government; residence of**  
2 **state officials; deputies authorized; state superintendent of**  
3 **public instruction physical office designation.**

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5           (b) The governor, secretary of state, state treasurer,  
6 state auditor, attorney general and state superintendent of  
7 public instruction shall reside and maintain their offices at  
8 the seat of government.

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10           **9-1-211. Vacancy in office of governor; successor**  
11 **designated; order of succession; proclamation on succession.**

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13           (a) If the governor is removed, dies, resigns or is  
14 unable to act, the state officer appearing highest on the  
15 following list who satisfies all constitutional  
16 qualifications for governor and is not under impeachment by  
17 the house of representatives shall act as governor until the  
18 disability of the governor is removed or a new governor is  
19 elected and qualified:

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21                   (vi) Attorney general;

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1           ~~(vi)~~(vii) State superintendent of public  
2 instruction;

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4           ~~(vii)~~(viii) Vice-president of the senate;

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6           ~~(viii)~~(ix) Speaker pro tem of the house of  
7 representatives.

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9           **9-1-602. Vacancy in office.**

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11 ~~In case of A~~ vacancy in the office of attorney general ~~the~~  
12 ~~governor shall appoint a qualified person to fill the vacancy~~  
13 ~~in accordance with the provisions of W.S. 28-12-101(b)~~shall  
14 be filled as provided by W.S. 22-18-111 except the vacancy  
15 shall be subject to senate confirmation as provided in W.S.  
16 28-12-101 through 28-12-103.

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18           **9-1-603. Duties generally; retention of qualified**  
19 **practicing attorneys; matters in which county or state is**  
20 **party or has interest; assistance to county and district**  
21 **attorneys in felony trials; coordination of county and school**  
22 **safety activities.**

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1           (b) ~~With the approval of the governor~~ The attorney  
2 general may retain qualified practicing attorneys to  
3 prosecute fee-generating suits for the state if expertise in  
4 a particular field is desirable.

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6           (c) Upon the failure or refusal of any district or  
7 county attorney to act in any criminal or civil case or matter  
8 in which the county, state or any agency thereof is a party,  
9 or has an interest, the attorney general may, at the request  
10 of the board of county commissioners of the county involved  
11 or of the district judge of the judicial district involved,  
12 act on behalf of the county, state or any agency thereof, if  
13 after a thorough investigation the action is deemed advisable  
14 by the attorney general. The cost of investigation and the  
15 cost of any prosecution arising therefrom shall be paid out  
16 of the general fund of the county where the investigation and  
17 prosecution take place. The attorney general ~~shall~~ may also,  
18 ~~upon direction of the governor,~~ investigate any matter in any  
19 county of the state in which the county, state or any agency  
20 thereof may be interested. After investigation, the attorney  
21 general shall submit a report of the investigation to ~~the~~  
22 ~~governor and to~~ the district or county attorney of each county



1 involved and may take such other action as he deems  
2 appropriate.

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4 **9-1-604. Office in state capital; private practice**  
5 **prohibited; exception.**

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7 The attorney general shall keep an office in the state  
8 capital, shall not open an office elsewhere and shall not  
9 engage in any private practice except to consummate business  
10 pending at the time of his ~~appointment~~election if not in  
11 conflict with the duties of his office.

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13 **9-1-605. Approval of public securities and official**  
14 **bonds; water rights proceedings; investigation of misconduct**  
15 **of county official; report to governor; commencement of**  
16 **action.**

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18 (b) ~~Under the direction of the governor~~The attorney  
19 general shall institute and pursue proceedings to maintain  
20 the state's and its citizens' rights in the waters of  
21 interstate streams.

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1           (c) Upon representation to the ~~governor~~attorney  
2 general of misconduct or malfeasance in office or the  
3 commission of a crime by any county officer in the state and  
4 if the ~~governor~~attorney general believes the ends of justice  
5 demand or the matter will not be properly investigated and  
6 prosecuted by the sheriff and by the district attorney of the  
7 county, ~~the governor may direct~~ the attorney general ~~to~~may  
8 investigate the case.

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10           (d) Upon completion of the investigation, the attorney  
11 general ~~shall report the results of the investigation and his~~  
12 ~~recommendations to the governor. If the governor and the~~  
13 ~~attorney general determine that the attorney general should~~  
14 may institute a criminal or civil action, ~~the attorney general~~  
15 ~~shall commence the action~~ as he deems appropriate. The  
16 attorney general shall have the authority and duty vested in  
17 district attorneys in this state.

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19           **9-1-608. Assistant attorneys general.**

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21           (a) ~~With the approval of the governor,~~ The attorney  
22 general may appoint assistant attorneys general necessary for  
23 the efficient operation of his office. Each assistant

1 attorney general shall be a member in good standing of the  
2 Wyoming bar and shall serve at the pleasure of the attorney  
3 general. The assistants shall act under the direction of the  
4 attorney general and his deputies. The attorney general, his  
5 deputies or his assistants may appear in any courts of the  
6 state or the United States and prosecute or defend on behalf  
7 of the state. An appearance by the attorney general or his  
8 staff does not waive the sovereign immunity of the state.

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10 (b) ~~With the approval of the governor~~The attorney  
11 general may appoint special assistant attorneys general for  
12 any purposes. A person shall not be employed as an attorney  
13 or legal counsel by any department, board, agency, commission  
14 or institution of the state, or represent the state in that  
15 capacity, except by the written appointment of the attorney  
16 general. Written appointment of the attorney general shall  
17 not be required for the employment of legal counsel by elected  
18 state officials.

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20 **9-1-611. Division of criminal investigation; created;**  
21 **definitions; director; appointment; qualifications.**

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1           (c) ~~With the approval of the governor,~~ The attorney  
2 general shall appoint a director who is the chief  
3 administrative officer and chief agent of the division.

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5           **9-1-633. Wyoming law enforcement academy; director;  
6 appointment; term; qualifications; employees; salaries;  
7 curriculum and training programs; fees; disposition.**

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9           (a) A director of the Wyoming law enforcement academy  
10 shall be appointed by the ~~attorney general with the consent~~  
11 ~~of the~~ governor. ~~The director~~ and shall serve at the pleasure  
12 of the ~~attorney general~~ governor. ~~He~~ The director shall have  
13 administrative and operational experience in criminal justice  
14 and such other qualifications as are satisfactory to the  
15 ~~attorney general~~ governor.

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17           (b) The director may employ assistants, instructors and  
18 other personnel as approved by the attorney general. ~~with the~~  
19 ~~consent of the governor.~~ The attorney general may appoint the  
20 director as a peace officer, if qualified pursuant to W.S.  
21 9-1-701 through 9-1-707. The director may appoint full-time  
22 staff instructors who qualify pursuant to W.S. 9-1-701  
23 through 9-1-707 to perform as peace officers. Persons

1 appointed as peace officers pursuant to this subsection shall  
2 be considered peace officers only:

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4 **9-1-636. Division of victim services; created;**  
5 **appointment of director and deputy director; administrative**  
6 **and clerical employees; definitions.**

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8 (b) ~~With the approval of the governor,~~The attorney  
9 general shall appoint a director who is the chief  
10 administrative officer of the division. The director is  
11 responsible to the attorney general for the operation of the  
12 division and shall serve at the pleasure of the attorney  
13 general.

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15 (c) With the consent of the attorney general ~~and the~~  
16 ~~governor,~~ and subject to legislative appropriation, the  
17 director may:

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19 **9-2-1016. General services division.**

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21 (h) The general services division shall:

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1           (i) Manage and control all state motor vehicles  
2 and equipment including their identification, purchase,  
3 lease, replacement, repair and permanent assignment, except  
4 for state owned or leased vehicles personally used by or  
5 assigned to the governor, secretary of state, state auditor,  
6 state treasurer, attorney general or superintendent of public  
7 instruction;

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9           **9-4-218. Federal natural resource policy account**  
10 **created; purposes.**

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12           (a) There is created an account known as the "federal  
13 natural resource policy account." Funds within the account  
14 may be expended by the governor on behalf of the state of  
15 Wyoming and its local governments, to take any of the actions  
16 specified in this subsection in response to federal land,  
17 water, air, mineral and other natural resource policies which  
18 may affect the tax base of the state, wildlife management,  
19 state species, recreation, private property rights, water  
20 rights or leasehold rights. Funds also may be expended for  
21 preparing and participating in environmental impact  
22 statements and environmental assessments, including analysis  
23 of economic or social and natural or physical environmental

1 effects on the human environment. Funds also may be expended  
2 for coordinating and participating in rangeland health  
3 assessments pursuant to W.S. 11-2-207. The governor may  
4 expend funds from the federal natural resource policy account  
5 for:

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7 (iii) Investigating, initiating, intervening or  
8 otherwise participating in litigation, or taking any other  
9 legal action by the state, a state agency or the counties of  
10 the state individually or jointly, that furthers the purposes  
11 of this subsection. In carrying out this subsection, the  
12 attorney general, or the counties with approval of the  
13 governor, may retain qualified practicing attorneys to act  
14 for the state or the counties, including providing  
15 representation in other forums with the federal government or  
16 other state or county governments that may preclude or resolve  
17 any outstanding issues or attempting to influence pertinent  
18 federal legislation;

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20 **9-13-102. Definitions.**

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22 (a) As used in this article:

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1           (xii) "Public employee" means any of the following  
2 state employees:

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4           (A) The ~~attorney general and the~~ director of  
5 any department of the executive branch appointed by the  
6 governor under W.S. 9-2-1706, or the director of any  
7 legislative agency;

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9           (xvi) "State office" means the state offices of  
10 governor, treasurer, superintendent of public instruction,  
11 auditor, secretary of state, attorney general and member of  
12 the state legislature;

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14           **9-13-108. Disclosure required.**

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16           (a) Not later than January 31 annually, each of the  
17 state's ~~five (5)~~ six (6) elected officials and each member of  
18 the Wyoming legislature shall file a financial disclosure  
19 form with the secretary of state. The form shall be signed by  
20 the elected official or legislator filing it and under a  
21 certification that it is accurate. The financial disclosure  
22 form shall contain the following information current as of  
23 January 15 of that year:



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2           **9-14-101. Second amendment defense.**

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4 The attorney general may seek to intervene or file an amicus  
5 curiae brief in any lawsuit filed in any state or federal  
6 court in Wyoming, or filed against any Wyoming citizen or  
7 firm in any other jurisdiction for damages for injuries as a  
8 result of the use of fire arms that are not defective, if in  
9 his judgment, the action endangers the constitutional right  
10 of citizens of Wyoming to keep and bear arms. The attorney  
11 general is directed to advance arguments that protect the  
12 constitutional right to bear arms. ~~Before intervening in any~~  
13 ~~lawsuit pursuant to this section, the attorney general shall~~  
14 ~~obtain the approval of the governor.~~

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16           **9-14-102. Unauthorized federal agency actions.**

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18           (c) The attorney general may seek to take action before  
19 the federal environmental protection agency, the federal  
20 occupational safety and health administration or in any state  
21 or federal court to stop the enforcement, administration or  
22 implementation of rulemaking or other actions taken by those  
23 agencies if, in his judgment, the rulemaking or other action

1 exceeds the authority granted by the United States congress  
2 or otherwise rests on questionable authority.—~~Before~~  
3 ~~intervening in or initiating any lawsuit pursuant to this~~  
4 ~~section, the attorney general shall obtain the approval of~~  
5 ~~the governor.~~

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7 **18-3-902. Attorney general to commence action; petition**  
8 **served with summons; pleading; trial; judgment; change of**  
9 **judge.**

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11 (a) Whenever it appears to the ~~governor~~attorney  
12 general on the verified complaint of qualified electors or  
13 the board of county commissioners of the county that any  
14 county officer is guilty of misconduct or malfeasance in  
15 office, ~~he may direct~~ the attorney general ~~to~~may commence  
16 and prosecute an action in the district court of the county  
17 in which the officer is an official asking for the removal of  
18 the officer. The action shall be commenced by the filing of  
19 a verified petition in the name of the state of Wyoming signed  
20 by the attorney general setting forth the facts constituting  
21 the misconduct or malfeasance in office.

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1           **28-1-115. Submission of state agency plans to**  
2 **legislature; contents; purposes.**

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4           (g) For purposes of this section and W.S. 28-1-116,  
5 "state agency" means:

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7           (ii) Offices of the ~~five (5) elected state~~  
8 ~~officials and the attorney general~~ governor, secretary of  
9 state, state auditor, state treasurer, attorney general and  
10 state superintendent of public instruction; and

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12           **35-7-1004. Personnel to administer provisions.**

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14 The attorney general ~~by and with the consent of the governor~~  
15 may employ such personnel as necessary to administer this  
16 act. Such personnel shall serve at the pleasure of the  
17 attorney general at such compensation as may be approved by  
18 the Wyoming personnel division. Said personnel shall be  
19 assigned such duties as may be necessary to assist the  
20 commissioner in the performance of his responsibilities under  
21 this act for the efficient operation of the work of the  
22 office.

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1           **35-11-1507. Injunction proceedings; penalties.**

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3           (a) When, in the opinion of the ~~governor~~attorney  
4 general, a person is violating or is about to violate any  
5 provision of this article, the ~~governor~~attorney general  
6 shall ~~direct the attorney general to~~ apply to the appropriate  
7 court for an order enjoining the person from engaging or  
8 continuing to engage in the activity. Upon a showing that the  
9 person has engaged, or is about to engage in the activity,  
10 the court may grant a permanent or temporary injunction,  
11 restraining order or other order.

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13           **35-21-110. Statewide protection order registry.**

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15           (a) The Wyoming attorney general ~~or another agency~~  
16 ~~designated by the governor~~ shall establish a statewide  
17 registry of protection orders related to domestic violence  
18 and shall maintain a complete and systematic record and index  
19 of all valid temporary and final civil and criminal court  
20 orders of protection.

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22           **Section 3.** W.S. 9-1-618(b)(i) is repealed.

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1           **Section 4.**

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3           (a) Sections 2 and 3 of this act are effective January  
4 2, 2023.

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6           (b) Except as provided in subsection (a) of this  
7 section, this act is effective July 1, 2019.

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(END)