

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0106

Party affiliation changes.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Blackburn, Clem, Gray, Hallinan, Miller, Obermueller and Stith and Senator(s) Biteman, Driskill and Steinmetz

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to elections; revising provisions relating to  
2 political party affiliation changes by electors; and  
3 providing for an 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. 22-1-102(a)(xxiii)(F)(IV), 22-5-212  
8 and 22-5-214 are amended to read:

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10 **22-1-102. Definitions.**

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12 (a) The definitions contained in this chapter apply to  
13 words and phrases used in this Election Code and govern the  
14 construction of those words and phrases unless they are

1 specifically modified by the context in which they appear. As  
2 used in this Election Code:

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4 (xxiii) "Poll list" is the list of registered  
5 voters as compiled by the clerk for use by election judges at  
6 the polls. The poll list shall:

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8 (F) Provide for the notation of:

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10 (IV) For general elections, electors  
11 who change political party affiliation at the polls.

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13 **22-5-212. When declaration of party affiliation**  
14 **required.**

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16 An elector requesting a major party ballot must declare his  
17 party affiliation, or sign an application for change of  
18 affiliation, in accordance with W.S. 22-5-214, before he may  
19 receive a party ballot. An elector may vote only the  
20 nonpartisan ballot and if so, is not required to declare his  
21 party affiliation. Requesting a partisan primary election  
22 ballot constitutes a declaration of party affiliation. A  
23 change in declaration of party affiliation shall conform to

1 W.S. 22-5-214 and be entered on the poll list by the election  
2 judge.

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4 **22-5-214. Change in party affiliation.**

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6 An elector may change his party affiliation by completing an  
7 application signed before a notarial officer or election  
8 official, and filing it with the county clerk ~~not less than~~  
9 fourteen (14) days before the by May 1 in a general election  
10 year for a primary election or not less than thirty (30) days  
11 before a general election or at the polls on the day of the  
12 ~~primary or general election., or when requesting an absentee~~  
13 ~~ballet.~~

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15 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2019.

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