SENATE FILE NO. SF0017

Governmental publication requirements.

Sponsored by: Joint Corporations, Elections & Political Subdivisions Interim Committee

A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to governmental publication requirements;
- 2 amending publication and online posting requirements for
- 3 governmental entities; and 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. 15-1-110(a), (b)(intro) and (i),
- 8 18-3-516(a), (b)(intro), (i) and (f) and 21-3-110(a)(ii)
- 9 and (xvi)(A) are amended to read:

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- 11 15-1-110. Minutes of meetings and titles of
- 12 ordinances passed to be posted; contents; posting of salary

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13 information of specified officials and employees.

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1 The governing body of any city or town shall 2 designate a legal newspaper and, publish once therein 3 within twelve (12) days after any regular or special 4 meeting of the governing body of the city or town, post and maintain on its official website the minutes of all regular 5 and special meetings of the governing body and the titles 6 of all ordinances passed. If a newspaper is not published 7 8 in the city or town does not have an official website the proceedings or ordinances shall be posted for at least ten 9 10 (10) days in the city or town clerk's office and in such other places as the governing body determines. The clerk of 11 12 each city or town shall within twelve (12) days after adjournment of every meeting, furnish the newspaper a copy 13 of the proceedings of the meeting. Except for salaries and 14 wages published under subsection (b) of this section, the 15 16 copy post shall include any bill presented to the governing 17 body stating the amount of the bill, the amount allowed, the purpose of the bill and the claimant. Claims for 18 19 part-time employees may be summarized by department without 20 listing each part-time employee. The newspaper shall 21 publish the copy of proceedings within nine (9) days after 22 receipt.

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1 (b) A city or town required to publish post minutes to its official website under subsection (a) of this 2 3 section shall separately publish post on its official 4 <u>website</u>: 5 (i) Within sixty (60) days after the end of each 6 fiscal year, the name, position, base annual salary of and 7 8 amount of overtime pay paid to each full-time employee and each elected official. A brief statement shall accompany 9 10 the salary publication post specifying that all salaries 11 are listed as base annual salaries or actual wages, not 12 including any benefits such as health insurance costs, life insurance benefits and pension plans. The statement shall 13 14 also indicate that any overtime the employee earned and was paid by the city or town is included. The city or town 15 16 shall maintain this information on its official website; 17 18 18-3-516. Posting of proceedings; posting of salary 19 information of certain officials and employees. 20 21 (a) Each board of county commissioners shall post a comprehensive summary of the entire proceedings of all 22 23 regular and special meetings held by the board on the

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1 county's official website in the manner provided in this 2 subsection. (f) of this section and publish the 3 comprehensive summary of the entire proceedings of all 4 regular and special meetings held by them one (1) time in 5 the county's designated official newspaper. The county clerk of each county shall within twelve (12) working days 6 after adjournment of every meeting for which the next 7 8 scheduled meeting will be called to order in two (2) weeks time or less, or within eighteen (18) working days after 9 10 adjournment of every meeting for which the next scheduled meeting will be called to order in more than two (2) weeks 11 12 time, furnish the paper county's official newspaper with a 13 copy of the proceedings and post and maintain on the county's official website a comprehensive summary of the 14 15 proceedings. Except for salaries and wages published under 16 subsection (b) of this section, the copy post shall include 17 any bill presented to the board stating the amount of the bill, the amount allowed, the purpose of the bill and the 18 19 claimant. Claims for part-time employees may be summarized 20 by department without listing each part-time employee. The newspaper shall publish the copy of proceedings within nine 21 (9) days after receipt. The board shall post on its 22 official website, and if practicable publish 23 in the

1 <u>county's designated official newspaper</u>, notice of the time

2 of all regular and special meetings.

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4 (b) Each board of county commissioners shall post on
5 the county's official website: in the manner provided in
6 subsection (f) of this section and publish separate from

7 the minutes of the proceedings:

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9 (i) Within sixty (60) days after the end of each 10 fiscal year, the name, position, base annual salary of and amount of overtime pay paid to each full-time employee and 11 12 each elected official. A brief statement shall accompany the salary publication post specifying that all salaries 13 are listed as base annual salaries or actual wages, not 14 15 including any benefits such as health insurance costs, life 16 insurance benefits and pension plans. The statement shall also indicate that any overtime that the employee earned 17 and was paid by the county is included. The county shall 18 19 maintain this information on its official website.

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21 (f) For all publications required by statute to be 22 posted on a county's official website, except as provided 23 in subsections (a) and (b) of this section, the publication

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- 1 shall be posted at times required for publication in a
- 2 designated official newspaper. Until June 30, 2016, In
- 3 <u>addition</u>, <u>e</u>ach board of county commissioners shall cause to
- 4 be published in the designated official newspaper once per
- 5 month, no less than twelve (12) times per year, a general
- 6 public notice pertaining to access to county information.
- 7 After June 30, 2016, this general public notice shall be
- 8 published at least once per year.

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10 **21-3-110.** Duties of boards of trustees.

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- 12 (a) The board of trustees in each school district
- 13 shall:

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- 15 (ii) Keep minutes of all meetings at which
- 16 official action is taken and a record of all official acts
- 17 including a record of all warrants issued against the
- 18 monies belonging to the school district. The minutes and
- 19 records shall be public records. A list of each warrant
- 20 over five hundred dollars (\$500.00) shall be published one
- 21 (1) time in a legal newspaper of general circulation within
- 22 the respective county posted on the school district's
- 23 official website within thirty (30) days of the date of the

1 meeting and maintained on the school district's official

2 <u>website</u>. Individual yearly gross salary payments <u>need shall</u>

3 be **published posted** only once in March of each year **as**

4 <u>follows</u>:

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(A) Each individual annual gross salary 6 shall be identified by category and each individual salary 7 8 shall be published posted as a gross dollar amount without 9 identification other than by category. Categories shall 10 include superintendent, assistant superintendent, high school principal, assistant high school principal, junior 11 12 high principal, junior high assistant principals, 13 elementary principals, elementary assistant principals, first grade teachers, second grade teachers, third grade 14 teachers, fourth grade teachers, fifth grade teachers, 15 16 sixth grade teachers, kindergarten teachers, high school 17 departmental teachers (business, language arts, foreign languages, science, social studies, mathematics, or other), 18 19 music, instrumental music, elementary music, vocal 20 secondary art, elementary art, secondary physical 21 education, elementary physical education, vocational education, secondary guidance counselors, secondary 22 23 librarians, elementary librarians, driver education,

- 1 special education teachers, remedial teachers, nurses,
- 2 teacher's aides, head coaches, assistant coaches,
- 3 dramatics, secondary secretarial, junior high secretarial,
- 4 elementary secretarial, business managers, janitorial, bus
- 5 drivers, and other categories which may be selected so that
- 6 every individual salary may be categorized. Each category
- 7 shall show a cumulative subtotal and there shall be a grand
- 8 total of all categories. At the end of the salary
- 9 publication post there shall be printed the district salary
- 10 schedule. The school district shall maintain this
- 11 information on its official website;

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- 13 (B) Forms shall be furnished to the school
- 14 districts by the state department of education for such
- 15 publications posts, which shall be the same in all unified
- 16 districts.

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- 18 (xvi)(A) Publish the following notice in a
- 19 newspaper of general circulation in Conspicuously post on
- 20 <u>the official website of</u> the school district at least two
- 21 (2) times each year, once within a week after the first
- 22 regular meeting in December and once as a part of the

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23 statement of revenue and expenditures of the district:

1 2 Notice of School Board Meetings and Availability of Minutes 3 4 Notice is hereby given that regular meetings of the board of trustees of County School District Number, 5 State of Wyoming, are held each month, at o'clock on 6 (here insert days or dates) in Room of the 7 school building in (city or town), Wyoming, and such 8 9 meetings are open to the public. 10 11 Notice is also given that official minutes of each regular 12 or special meeting of such board, including a record of all official acts and of all warrants issued, are available for 13 inspection by any citizen during regular office hours at 14 the office of the clerk of said district, at (here 15 16 insert address of office). 17 18 19 20 Chairman, Board of Trustees 21 22 County School 23

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1 District, Number

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3 Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2021.

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