STATE OF WYOMING

SENATE FILE NO. SF0156

Incest amendments.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Biteman and Salazar and Representative(s) Laursen

A BILL

for

AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; amending the 1 2 relationships required for the crime of incest; amending 3 the penalty for incest; and providing for an effective 4 date. 5 6 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming: 7 8 Section 1. W.S. 6-4-402(a)(i) through (iii), by creating new paragraphs (iv) and (v) and (b) is amended to 9 10 read: 11 12 6-4-402. Incest; penalties; disclosure or publication of identifying information; "minor victim". 13 14

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1	(a) A person is guilty of incest if he knowingly
2	commits sexual intrusion, as defined by W.S.
3	6-2-301(a)(vii), or sexual contact, as defined by W.S.
4	6-2-301(a)(vi), with an ancestor or descendant or a brother
5	or sister of the whole or half blood. The relationships
6	referred to herein include relationships of:
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8	(i) Parent and child <u>or siblings</u> by adoption
9	when one or both of the adopted siblings is a minor and
10	living in the same household;
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12	(ii) Blood relationships without regard to
13	legitimacy; and
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15	(iii) Stepparent and stepchild . or step siblings
16	when one or both of the step siblings is a minor and living
17	in the same household;
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19	(iv) Legal guardian and child or persons with
20	the same legal guardian when one or both of the persons
21	with the same legal guardian is a minor and living in the
22	same household; and

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1	(v) Foster parent and foster child or persons
2	with the same foster parent when one or both of the persons
3	with the same foster parent is a minor and living in the
4	same household.
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6	(b) Incest is a felony punishable by <u>: imprisonment</u>
7	for not more than fifteen (15) years, a fine of not more
8	than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), or both.
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10	(i) Except as provided in paragraph (ii) of this
11	subsection, imprisonment for not less than five (5) nor
12	more than twenty (20) years and a fine of not more than ten
13	thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), or both;
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15	(ii) If the person is eighteen (18) years of age
16	or older and the victim is less than eighteen (18) years of
17	age, imprisonment for not less than twenty-five (25) years
18	nor more than fifty (50) years and a fine of not more than
19	ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), or both.
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21	Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2021.
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23	(END)

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