

SENATE FILE NO. SF0074

Water and sewer district elections amendments.

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

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to water and sewer districts; requiring
2 water and sewer districts serving more than a specified
3 number of taps to hold board member elections in
4 conjunction with general elections; and providing for an
5 effective date.

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

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 41-10-112(b) and by creating a new
10 subsection (d) is amended to read:

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12 **41-10-112. Subsequent elections of members of board**
13 **of directors of district.**

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1 (b) District board members shall serve for a term of
2 four (4) years, except as provided in subsection (d) of
3 this section, and except that at the first regular
4 subsequent director election following the formation of the
5 district there shall be elected by the voters of the
6 district two (2) members of the board to serve for a term
7 of two (2) years and three (3) members to serve for terms
8 of four (4) years. Thereafter elections shall be held every
9 two (2) years. Each director shall be a voter of the
10 district.

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12 (d) Beginning January 1, 2024 any district providing
13 services to seven hundred fifty (750) taps or more as of
14 January 1 of a general election year shall hold all
15 elections for the district board of directors at a general
16 election, notwithstanding W.S. 22-29-112(a). Upon being
17 required to hold elections for the district board under
18 this subsection each of the following apply:

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20 (i) The office of any director whose term would
21 otherwise expire in the general election year that district
22 board elections are first required to be held at the
23 general election or in January of the year following shall

1 be voted upon at the general election and the directors'
2 term shall expire at either the expiration of the term
3 established by subsection (b) of this section or upon the
4 election and assumption of office of a qualified successor,
5 whichever is earlier;

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7 (ii) The term of any director who does not fall
8 under paragraph (i) of this subsection shall expire as
9 scheduled;

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11 (iii) Vacancies created by gaps in the
12 expiration of a term and the next regularly scheduled
13 general election shall be filled as specified in W.S.
14 41-10-111;

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16 (iv) The term of office of one (1) or more
17 directors elected at the first general election under
18 paragraph (i) of this subsection shall be either two (2) or
19 four (4) years, whichever is necessary to maintain the
20 staggered terms that would otherwise be in place consistent
21 with subsection (b) of this section.

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1 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2022.

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