



HB0156

Proof of voter residency-registration qualifications.

Sponsored By: Representative(s) Bear, Andrew, Angelos, Bratten, Brown, G, Campbell, K, Clouston, Geringer, Guggenmos, Haroldson, Heiner, Hoeft, Knapp, Lawley, Locke, Lucas, McCann, Neiman, Rodriguez-Williams, Webb, Webber and Winter and Senator(s) Boner, Ide, Laursen, D, Pearson, Smith, D and Steinmetz

AN ACT relating to elections; requiring a qualified elector to be a bona fide resident of the state of Wyoming for not less than thirty (30) days before the date of the election in which they offer to vote; requiring documentation proving residence to register to vote; prohibiting registration based on documentation showing noncitizen status; making conforming amendments; requiring rulemaking; and providing for effective dates.

1/13/2025 Bill Number Assigned
1/14/2025 H Received for Introduction
1/14/2025 H Introduced and Referred to H07 - Corporations
1/16/2025 H07 - Corporations:Recommend Do Pass 8-1-0-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Brown, Hoeft, Johnson, Knapp, Locke, Lucas, Webb, Webber

Nays: Representative Yin

Ayes 8 Nays 1 Excused 0 Absent 0 Conflicts 0

1/16/2025 H Placed on General File

HB0156HW001/FAILED

Page 1-line 2 After "Wyoming" insert "and the county where the qualified elector is voting".

Page 2-line 21 After "Wyoming" insert "and the county where he will be voting".

Page 3-line 11 After "Wyoming" insert "and the county where he will be voting".

Page 5-line 4 After "Wyoming" insert "and the county where he will be voting".

Page 6-line 2 After "state" insert "and the county where I will be voting".

Page 9-line 3 After "Wyoming" insert "and the county where he will be voting". BROWN, L

1/16/2025 H COW:Passed

HB0156H2001/FAILED

Page 1-line 7 After "status;" insert "requiring bona fide residents to intend to reside in Wyoming for a majority of the year;".

Page 1-line 13 After "(xxvii)" insert ", (xxx) by creating a new subparagraph (H)".

Page 4-after line 2 Insert:

"(xxx) "Residence" is the place of a person's actual habitation. The construction of this term shall be governed by the following rules:

(H) A person shall not be a bona fide resident of Wyoming if the person does not intend to reside in Wyoming for a majority of the year."
YIN

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Brown, L, Byron, Campbell, E, Chestek, Connolly, Nicholas, Posey, Provenza, Sherwood, Storer, Yin

Nays: Representative(s) Allemand, Andrew, Angelos, Banks, Bear, Brady, Bratten, Brown, G, Campbell, K, Clouston, Davis, Eklund, Erickson, Filer, Geringer, Guggenmos, Haroldson, Heiner, Hoeft, Jarvis, Johnson, Kelly, Knapp, Larsen, Larson, Lawley, Lien, Locke, Lucas, Mccann, Neiman, Ottman, Pendergraft, Riggins, Rodriguez-Williams, Schmid, Singh, Smith, Strock, Styvar, Tarver, Thayer, Washut, Wasserburger, Webb, Webber, Wharff, Williams, Winter, Wylie

Excused: Representative Harshman

Ayes 11 **Nays** 50 **Excused** 1 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

HB0156H2002/WITHDRAWN

HB0156H2003/FAILED

Page 1-line 7 Before "making;" insert "requiring a statement of intent to make Wyoming the person's bona fide resident; providing definitions;".

Page 2-line 1 Delete "a new paragraph" and insert "new paragraphs"; after "(lv)" insert "and (lvi)".

Page 2-line 3 After "(ix)" delete "and" and insert ",,;" after "(b)" delete ",," and insert "and by creating a new subsection (d),".

Page 4-after line 7 Insert:

"(lvi) "Bona fide resident" means a person who intends to make Wyoming the person's fixed, principal place of residence."

Page 5-line 23 Strike "am a bona fide resident of the".

Page 6-line 1 Strike "state of Wyoming and this county" and insert "intend to make Wyoming and this county my fixed, principal place of residence".

Page 6-after line 21 Insert:

"(d) The applicant's statement of the applicant's intent to make Wyoming and the county where the applicant is applying for registration the applicant's fixed, principal place of residence shall be conclusive and shall not be challenged by the registry agent approving the application." CHESTEK

1/17/2025 H 2nd Reading:Passed

HB0156H3001/FAILED

Page 1-line 13 After "(xxvii)" insert ", (xxxix)(B)(intro) and by creating a new subparagraph (C)".

Page 4-after line 2 Insert:

"(xxxix) "Acceptable identification" means:

(B) For purposes of in person voter identification immediately before voting at a polling place or absentee polling place, and for proof of residence subject to subparagraph (C) of this paragraph, any of the following:

(C) For purposes of proof of residence:

(I) Any acceptable identification under subsection (B) of this section that includes the elector's address or a post office box;

(II) Two (2) pieces of mail that include the name of the elector and the elector's residential address or a post office box;

(III) Any other proof of residency approved by rule of the secretary of state's office.". YIN

1/20/2025 H 3rd Reading:Passed 51-8-3-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Allemand, Andrew, Angelos, Banks, Bear, Brady, Bratten, Brown, G, Brown, L, Byron, Campbell, K, Clouston, Connolly, Davis, Eklund, Erickson, Filer, Geringer, Guggenmos, Haroldson, Harshman, Heiner, Hoeft, Johnson, Kelly, Knapp, Larsen, Larson, Lawley, Lien, Locke, Lucas, Mccann, Neiman, Ottman, Pendergraft, Rodriguez-Williams, Schmid, Singh, Smith, Strock, Styvar, Tarver, Thayer, Washut, Wasserburger, Webb, Wharff, Williams, Winter, Wylie

Nays: Representative(s) Campbell, E, Chestek, Jarvis, Nicholas, Provenza, Sherwood, Storer, Yin

Excused: Representative(s) Posey, Riggins, Webber

Ayes 51 **Nays** 8 **Excused** 3 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

1/20/2025 S Received for Introduction

2/10/2025 S Introduced and Referred to S07 - Corporations

2/20/2025 S07 - Corporations:Recommend Amend and Do Pass 5-0-0-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Senator(s) Boner, Case, Dockstader, Landen, Steinmetz

Ayes 5 **Nays** 0 **Excused** 0 **Absent** 0 **Conflicts** 0

2/20/2025 S Placed on General File

HB0156SS001/ADOPTED

Page 2-line 1 After "creating" delete "a"; delete "paragraph" and insert "paragraphs"; after "(lv)" insert "and (lvi)".

Page 2-line 2 After "by creating" delete "a".

Page 2-line 3 Delete "paragraph" and insert "paragraphs"; after "(ix)" insert "and (x)".

Page 3-line 23 After "residence" insert ", citizenship".

Page 4-line 7 After "residency." insert "If a person does not have the documents or other proof of residency specified by rule of the secretary of state, "proof of residence" may be established by a signed attestation of the person that the person is a bona fide resident of the state of Wyoming. The attestation shall be subject to verification by the county clerk or the secretary of state.

Page 4-after line 7 Insert and renumber as necessary:

"(lvi) "Proof of United States citizenship" means, for purposes of voter registration, any of the following:

(A) A valid Wyoming driver's license as defined by W.S. 31-7-102(a)(xxv) or a valid Wyoming identification card issued under W.S. 31-8-101, provided that the license or identification card does not contain any indication that the person is not a United States citizen;

(B) A valid tribal identification card issued by the governing body of the Eastern Shoshone Tribe or the Northern Arapaho Tribe of the Wind River Indian Reservation or any other federally recognized Indian tribe, provided that the identification card does not contain any indication that the person is not a United States citizen;

(C) A valid driver's license or identification card issued by any other state that is consistent with the Real ID Act as defined by W.S. 31-7-102(a)(lii), provided that the driver's license or identification card does not include any indication that the person is not a United States citizen;

(D) A valid United States passport;

(E) A certificate of United States citizenship;

(F) A certificate of naturalization;

(G) A United States military draft record or a selective service registration acknowledgment card;

(H) A consular report of birth abroad issued by the United States department of state;

(J) An original or certified copy of a birth certificate in the United States bearing an official seal."

Page 4-lines 17 through 22 Delete entirely.

Page 5-lines 1 and 2 Delete entirely and insert:

"(i) He is a citizen of the United States, as evidenced by providing proof of United States citizenship as defined by W.S. 22-1-102(a)(lvi);"

Page 5-after line 15 Insert:

"(x) Proof of United States citizenship as defined by W.S. 22-1-102(a)(lvi)."

Page 7-line 8 Before "and" insert ", proof of United States citizenship".

Page 7-line 9 Before "completing" insert "by"; strike ",."

Page 8-line 6 Before "and" insert ", proof of United States citizenship as defined by W.S. 22-1-102(a)(lvi)"; strike ",.". CASE, CHAIRMAN

2/26/2025 S COW:Passed

2/27/2025 S 2nd Reading:Passed

HB0156S3001/FAILED

Page 4-line 7 In the Senate standing committee amendment (HB0156SS001/A) to this line, delete "or the secretary of state". COOPER

2/28/2025 S 3rd Reading:Passed 26-4-1-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Senator(s) Barlow, Biteman, Boner, Brennan, Case, Cooper, Crago, Crum, Dockstader, Driskill, French, Hicks, Hutchings, Ide, Jones, Landen, Laursen, Mckeown, Nethercott, Olsen, Pappas, Pearson, Salazar, Schuler, Smith, Steinmetz

Nays: Senator(s) Anderson, Gierau, Rothfuss, Scott

Excused: Senator Kolb

Ayes 26 Nays 4 Excused 1 Absent 0 Conflicts 0

2/28/2025 H Received for Concurrence

2/28/2025 H Concur:Passed 54-3-5-0-0

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Representative(s) Allemand, Andrew, Angelos, Banks, Bear, Brady, Bratten, Brown, G, Byron, Campbell, K, Clouston, Connolly, Davis, Eklund, Erickson, Filer, Geringer, Guggenmos, Haroldson, Harshman, Heiner, Jarvis, Johnson, Kelly, Knapp, Larsen, Larson, Lawley, Lien, Locke, Lucas, Mccann, Neiman, Ottman, Pendergraft, Posey, Riggins, Rodriguez-Williams, Schmid, Singh, Smith, Storer, Strock, Styvar, Tarver, Thayer, Washut, Wasserburger, Webb, Webber, Wharff, Williams, Wylie, Yin

Nays: Representative(s) Chestek, Provenza, Sherwood

Excused: Representative(s) Brown, L, Campbell, E, Hoeft, Nicholas, Winter

Ayes 54 Nays 3 Excused 5 Absent 0 Conflicts 0

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