

SENATE FILE NO. SF0010

Contracts for holding and treating mentally ill detainees.

Sponsored by: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to criminal procedure; authorizing the
2 department of health to enter into contracts with detention
3 centers for holding and treating mentally ill detainees
4 before a competency evaluation or restoration; amending
5 definitions; making conforming amendments; and providing
6 for an effective date.

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

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 7-11-308 is created to read:

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12 **7-11-308. Duties of the department of health as to**
13 **designated facilities other than the state hospital.**

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15 The department of health may designate county detention
16 facilities as qualified to provide security, examination or

1 treatment to accused persons under this act and enter into
2 contracts with those designated facilities for the
3 security, examination or treatment of accused persons under
4 this act. The department may enter into contracts with
5 counties under this section.

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7 **Section 2.** 7-11-301(a)(ii) and (iv) is amended to
8 read:

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10 **7-11-301. Definitions.**

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12 (a) As used in this act:

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14 (ii) "Facility" means the Wyoming state hospital
15 or other facility designated by the court ~~which~~ or the
16 department of health that can adequately provide for the
17 security, examination or treatment of the accused. A
18 "facility" shall include a county jail that is subject to a
19 written contractual agreement under W.S. 7-11-308;

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21 (iv) "This act" means W.S. 7-11-301 through
22 ~~7-11-307~~ 7-11-308.

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1 **Section 3.** The department of health shall report to
2 the joint judiciary interim committee by October 1, 2027 on
3 the designation of county detention facilities and the
4 utilization and implementation of contracts with those
5 facilities as authorized under W.S. 7-11-308, created by
6 this act.

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8 **Section 4.** This act is effective July 1, 2026.

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