SENATE FILE NO. SF0008

Absconding for criminal purposes-criminal offense.

Sponsored by: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

A BILL

for

AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; creating the criminal offense of absconding for criminal purposes; specifying penalties; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 6-5-215 is created to read:

6-5-215. Absconding for criminal purposes; penalty.

(a) A person is guilty of absconding for criminal purposes if the person:

(i) Travels from one (1) county to another county in Wyoming or from one (1) county in Wyoming to another jurisdiction outside of Wyoming:

(A) After having committed any criminal offense under this title or the Wyoming Controlled Substances Act of 1971;

(B) With the intent to commit an additional criminal offense under this title or the Wyoming Controlled Substances Act of 1971 after having committed an offense in the original county;

(C) To dispose of or conceal the proceeds, property or other items of value obtained after committing any criminal offense under this title or the Wyoming Controlled Substances Act of 1971; or

(D) In furtherance of any felony offense.

(b) The penalty for absconding for criminal purposes shall be the same as the penalty for the most serious crime that was committed, was intended to be committed or furthered as a result of the absconding for criminal purposes.

Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2026.

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