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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO.

Assignment of wage claims.

Sponsored by: HDraft Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to labor and employment; authorizing the  
2 department of workforce services to accept assignment of  
3 wage claims; authorizing the department to bring legal  
4 action regarding assigned wage claims; 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. 27-4-509 is created to read:

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11 **27-4-509. Assignment of wage claims.**

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1 Following a determination of a valid claim under W.S.  
2 27-4-504(a), upon the written request of the employee the  
3 department may take assignment of the wage claim in trust  
4 for the employee and may bring any legal action necessary  
5 to collect the claim. The employer shall be required to pay  
6 the costs and reasonable attorney's fees as may be allowed  
7 by the court. The department shall have the power to join  
8 claimants against the same employer in one (1) action for  
9 purposes of this section.

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11 **Section 2.** W.S. 27-4-501(a)(v) is amended to read:

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13 **27-4-501. Definitions.**

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15 (a) Whenever used in this act:

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17 (v) "This act" means W.S. 27-4-501 through  
18 ~~27-4-508~~ 27-4-509.

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20 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2020.

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22 (END)