ORIGINAL HOUSE
BILL NO. HB0016

ENROLLED ACT NO. 1, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2017 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to small claims procedures; removing the requirement that an appearance fee be deposited with the court; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 1-21-201 and 1-21-202(a) are amended to read:

1-21-201. Procedure generally; jurisdiction extended.

In the trial of civil cases before any circuit court in which the amount claimed, exclusive of costs, does not exceed six thousand dollars ($6,000.00), the procedure ~~and costs are~~ is as defined in W.S. 1-21-201 through 1-21-205. The department of revenue may consolidate claims for collection of taxes against a single taxpayer into a single case under the procedures in W.S. 1-21-201 through 1-21-205 subject to specified dollar limitations.

1-21-202. Commencement of actions; remedy cumulative; continuance to obtain attorney; docketing.

(a) Actions may be commenced, heard and determined under W.S. 1-21-201 through 1-21-205 if the state, any governmental entity, any natural person, corporation, partnership, association or other organization appears before any circuit court and executes an affidavit reciting the full address of the defendant, the nature of the claim, the amount due and stating that demand has been made and payment refused. ~~The plaintiff shall deposit an appearance fee of four dollars ($4.00) which shall be retained by the court as costs and taxed to the party against whom judgment is rendered.~~ The remedy provided by this article is cumulative and not exclusive.

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Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2017.

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Speaker of the House   President of the Senate

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                Governor

        TIME APPROVED: _____

        DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

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Chief Clerk