

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0068

Violent felony definition expansion.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Buchanan, Gay, Gingery and  
Throne and Senator(s) Martin and Ross

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; expanding the  
2 definition of violent felony; and providing for an  
3 effective date.

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

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 6-1-104(a)(xii), 6-8-102 and  
8 7-13-1301(a)(vi) are amended to read:

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10 **6-1-104. Definitions.**

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12 (a) As used in this act, unless otherwise defined:

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14 (xii) "Violent felony" means murder,  
15 manslaughter, kidnapping, sexual assault in the first or  
16 second degree, robbery, aggravated assault and battery,

1 aircraft hijacking, arson in the first or second degree, ~~or~~  
 2 aggravated burglary, terroristic threat, or a violation of  
 3 W.S. 6-2-314(a)(i), ~~or~~ 6-2-315(a)(ii), 6-3-111 or  
 4 6-5-204(b);

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6 **6-8-102. Use or possession of firearm by person**  
 7 **convicted of certain felony offenses; penalties.**

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9 Any person who has previously pleaded guilty to or been  
 10 convicted of committing or attempting to commit a violent  
 11 felony ~~or a felony under W.S. 6-5-204(b)~~, and has not been  
 12 pardoned and who uses or knowingly possesses any firearm is  
 13 guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more  
 14 than three (3) years, a fine of not more than five thousand  
 15 dollars (\$5,000.00), or both.

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17 **7-13-1301. Definitions.**

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19 (a) As used in W.S. 7-13-1301 through 7-13-1304:

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21 (vi) "Violent felony" means murder,  
 22 manslaughter, kidnapping, sexual assault in the first or  
 23 second degree, robbery, aggravated assault and battery,  
 24 aircraft hijacking, arson in the first or second degree, ~~or~~

1 aggravated burglary, terroristic threat, or a violation of  
2 W.S. 6-3-111 or 6-5-204(b);

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4 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2011.

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