HOUSE BILL NO. HB0106

Immunization exemptions-nonrefusal of services.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Clem, Blake, Brown,
Lindholm, Olsen and Yin and Senator(s)
Driskill, Hutchings and Steinmetz

A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to public health and safety; prohibiting
- 2 hospitals from refusing to treat unimmunized individuals as
- 3 specified; conforming special district provisions as
- 4 specified; requiring rulemaking; and providing for
- 5 effective dates.

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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. 35-2-122, 35-2-439 and 35-2-724 are
- 10 created to read:

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12 35-2-122. Prohibition on refusal of service due to

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13 immunization status.

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- 1 No hospital within a hospital district or rural health care
- 2 district shall refuse to treat or provide services to a
- 3 person solely because the person is not immunized due to a
- 4 religious objection or medical contraindication. As used in
- 5 this section, "hospital" means as defined in W.S.
- $6 \quad 35-2-901(a)(xiii).$

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8 35-2-439. Refusal of service prohibition applicable.

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- 10 All hospitals within a hospital district established
- 11 pursuant to this article shall ensure compliance with W.S.
- 12 35-2-122 by all licensed medical professionals employed by
- 13 or under contract with the hospital. As used in this
- 14 subsection, "hospital" means as defined in W.S.
- 15 35-2-901(a)(xiii).

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35-2-724. Refusal of service prohibition applicable.

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- 19 All hospitals within a rural health care district
- 20 established pursuant to this article shall ensure
- 21 compliance with W.S. 35-2-122 by all licensed medical
- 22 professionals employed by or under contract with the

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1 hospital. As used in this subsection, "hospital" means as

2 defined in W.S. 35-2-901(a)(xiii).

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4 **Section 2.** The department of health shall promulgate

5 rules to implement this section by July 1, 2020.

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7 Section 3.

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9 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this

10 section, this act is effective immediately upon completion

11 of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided

12 by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution.

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14 (b) Section 1 of this act is effective July 1, 2020.

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