

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0289

Certificate of need repeal-3.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Geringer, Lawley, Neiman,
Singh, Styvar and Williams and Senator(s)
Crum, Kolb, Rothfuss and Steinmetz

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to public health and safety; authorizing
2 the department of health to approve alterations or
3 additions to health care facilities for purposes of health
4 care and life safety compliance determinations only;
5 repealing bed expansion limitations for nursing care
6 facilities and hospitals as specified; requiring reports;
7 and providing for an effective date.

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

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11 **Section 1.** W.S. 35-2-906(a) is amended to read:

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13 **35-2-906. Construction and expansion of facilities;**
14 **exemption.**

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1 (a) A licensee who contemplates construction of or
2 alteration or addition to a health care facility shall
3 submit plans and specifications to the division for
4 preliminary inspection and approval prior to commencing
5 construction. Significant changes to the original plans
6 must also be submitted and approved prior to
7 implementation. The plans and any changes shall indicate
8 any increase in the number of beds. Information submitted
9 pursuant to this subsection shall be used by the division
10 only for purposes of health care and life safety compliance
11 determinations.

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13 **Section 2.** W.S. 35-2-901(a)(v) and 35-2-906(b), (c),
14 (f) and (g) are repealed.

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16 **Section 3.** On or before September 1, 2029, the
17 department of health shall report to the joint labor,
18 health and social services interim committee on the status
19 of construction of nursing care facilities and whether
20 hospitals and nursing care facilities are positively or
21 adversely affected by this act.

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1 **Section 4.** This act is effective July 1, 2026.

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