

SENATE FILE NO. SF0014

Circuit court hearings of municipal violations by juveniles.

Sponsored by: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to juveniles; authorizing prosecution of  
2 violations of municipal ordinances in circuit court as  
3 specified; providing for probation revocation proceedings  
4 for violations of municipal or circuit court sentences; and  
5 providing for an 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. 5-9-105 and 14-6-203(f) (intro) and by  
10 creating a new paragraph (vi) are amended to read:

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12 **5-9-105. Extending jurisdiction to try misdemeanors**  
13 **committed in violation of city or town ordinances.**

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15 (a) The governing body of any city or town ~~situate~~  
16 situated within a judicial district in which a circuit

1 court is established may petition the supreme court to  
2 extend the jurisdiction of the circuit court to determine  
3 and try all persons charged with violation of the  
4 ordinances of the city or town. ~~The contribution that the~~  
5 ~~city or town will make toward the expenses of the circuit~~  
6 ~~court whose jurisdiction includes enforcing the ordinances~~  
7 ~~of the city or town shall be set and paid as provided by~~  
8 ~~written contract of the circuit judges and the governing~~  
9 ~~board of the city or town involved, with the approval of~~  
10 ~~the supreme court.~~

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12 (b) In accordance with W.S. 14-6-203(f), the district  
13 attorney may prosecute and the circuit court may hear  
14 violations of the ordinances of a city or town against a  
15 minor in the circuit court of the district attorney's  
16 jurisdiction. Proceedings under this subsection may be  
17 commenced in the county where the child is living or is  
18 present when the proceedings are commenced, or in the  
19 county where the alleged delinquent act occurred.

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21 (c) The contribution that the city or town will make  
22 toward the expenses of the circuit court pursuant to  
23 subsection (a) or (b) of this section shall be set and paid  
24 as provided by written contract of the circuit judges and

1 the governing board of the city or town involved, with the  
2 approval of the supreme court.

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4 **14-6-203. Jurisdiction; confidentiality of records.**

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6 (f) The district attorney shall establish objective  
7 criteria, screening and assessment procedures for  
8 determining the court for appropriate disposition in  
9 cooperation and coordination with each municipality in the  
10 jurisdiction of the district court. The district attorney  
11 shall serve as the single point of entry for all minors  
12 alleged to have committed a crime. Except as otherwise  
13 provided in this section, copies of all charging documents,  
14 reports or citations for cases provided in this subsection  
15 shall be forwarded to the district attorney prior to the  
16 filing of the charge, report or citation in municipal or  
17 city court. The following cases, excluding status offenses,  
18 may be ~~originally~~ commenced either in the juvenile court or  
19 in the district court or inferior court having  
20 jurisdiction:

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22 (vi) Probation revocation proceedings from a  
23 minor's violation of his municipal or circuit court  
24 sentence.

