

SENATE FILE NO. SF0018

Counties-legal publications.

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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to county notice publications; amending
 2 requirements and contents for county notices and
 3 publications; providing for online publications; and
 4 providing for an effective date.

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

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 18-3-515, 18-3-516(a), (b)(intro),
 9 (i) and by creating a new subsection (f), 18-4-306,
 10 18-4-405, 18-6-101(b) and 18-6-201(a) are amended to read:

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12 **18-3-515. Preparation and publication of annual**
 13 **statements.**

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15 Each board of county commissioners at their regular July
 16 meeting shall request a statement of the receipts and

1 expenditures of the county during the preceding twelve (12)
2 months setting forth the source and amount of all receipts
3 and the purpose and the amount of all expenditures to be
4 prepared upon reconciliation of all accounts by the county
5 treasurer and county clerk, not later than September 30.
6 The statement shall be signed by the chairman and clerk of
7 the board and shall be posted on the county's designated
8 official website in the manner provided in W.S. 18-3-516(f)
9 and published at least ~~two (2) times~~ once in ~~a~~ the county's
10 designated official newspaper. ~~of general circulation in~~
11 ~~the county, or if there is none, by posting the statement~~
12 ~~in three (3) public places in the county.~~

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14 **18-3-516. Publication of proceedings; publication of**
15 **names, salaries and wages of certain officials and**
16 **employees.**

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18 (a) Each board of county commissioners shall post a
19 comprehensive summary of the entire proceedings of all
20 regular and special meetings held by the board on the
21 county's official website in the manner provided in
22 subsection (f) of this section and publish the
23 comprehensive summary of the entire proceedings of all
24 regular and special meetings held by them one (1) time in a

1 ~~newspaper published in the county, if any~~ the county's
2 designated official newspaper. The county clerk of each
3 county shall within twelve (12) working days after
4 adjournment of every meeting for which the next scheduled
5 meeting will be called to order in two (2) weeks time or
6 less, or within eighteen (18) working days after
7 adjournment of every meeting for which the next scheduled
8 meeting will be called to order in more than two (2) weeks
9 time, furnish the paper with a copy of the proceedings.
10 Except for salaries and wages published under subsection
11 (b) of this section, the copy shall include any bill
12 presented to the board stating the amount of the bill, the
13 amount allowed, the purpose of the bill and the claimant.
14 Claims for part-time employees may be summarized by
15 department without listing each part-time employee. The
16 newspaper shall publish the copy of proceedings within nine
17 (9) days after receipt. The board shall post on its
18 official website, and if practicable publish, notice of the
19 time of all regular and special meetings.

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21 (b) Each board of county commissioners shall post on
22 the county's official website in the manner provided in
23 subsection (f) of this section and publish separate from
24 the minutes of the proceedings:

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(i) ~~During January and July of each~~ Within sixty
(60) days after the end of each fiscal year, the name,
position and gross monthly salary of each ~~chief~~
~~administrative official, assistant administrative official~~
~~and department head including those officials and~~
~~department heads of boards and departments funded by the~~
~~board of county commissioners and elected officials. The~~
~~publication shall also include a list of all other full-~~
~~time positions employed by the county without the name of~~
~~the current employee, including the gross monthly salary~~
~~for each position~~ full-time employee and each elected
official. A brief statement shall accompany the salary
publication specifying that all salaries are listed as
gross monthly salaries or actual monthly wages, not
including any fringe benefits such as health insurance
costs, life insurance benefits and pension plans. The
statement shall also indicate that the salaries or wages do
not include any overtime that the employee may earn which
would be paid by the county; and

(f) For all publications required by statute to be
posted on a county's official website, the publication
shall be posted at times required for publication in a

1 designated official newspaper. Until June 30, 2016, each
2 board of county commissioners shall cause to be published
3 in the designated official newspaper once per month, no
4 less than twelve (12) times per year, a general public
5 notice pertaining to access to county information. After
6 June 30, 2016, this general public notice shall be
7 published at least once per year.

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9 **18-4-306. Notice of intention to issue and sell.**

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11 The board shall give notice by posting on the county's
12 official website in the manner provided in W.S. 18-3-516(f)
13 and by publication in ~~some newspaper published in the~~
14 ~~county if there be one, otherwise by three (3) notices~~
15 ~~posted in the county, one of which shall be at the~~
16 ~~courthouse door of its intention to issue and negotiate the~~
17 ~~bonds and to invite bidders therefor. The notice shall also~~
18 ~~be published in some newspaper of general circulation in~~
19 ~~Cheyenne~~ the county's designated official newspaper.

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21 **18-4-405. Notice of intention to issue and sell.**

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23 The board of county commissioners shall give notice by
24 posting on the county's official website in the manner

1 provided in W.S. 18-3-516(f) and by publication in ~~some~~
2 ~~newspaper published and of general circulation in the~~
3 ~~county if there be one; otherwise by three (3) notices~~
4 ~~posted in the county one (1) of which is posted at the~~
5 ~~courthouse door, of its intention to issue and negotiate~~
6 ~~the bonds and to invite bidders therefor. The notice shall~~
7 ~~also be published in some newspaper published and of~~
8 ~~general circulation in the cities of Cheyenne, Wyoming;~~
9 ~~Denver, Colorado; Chicago, Illinois and New York City, New~~
10 ~~York~~ the county's designated official newspaper.

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12 **18-6-101. Authority to acquire and dispose of sites**
13 **generally.**

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15 (b) If a courthouse or jail to be replaced is sold it
16 shall be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for
17 cash or on ~~such~~ terms of payment as determined by the board
18 and in case of deferred payments, security is required
19 satisfactory to the board. No sale shall occur until public
20 notice has been given by posting on the county's official
21 website in the manner provided in W.S. 18-3-516(f) and by
22 publishing in ~~some newspaper published and of general~~
23 ~~circulation in the county~~ the county's designated official
24 newspaper once a week for ~~four (4)~~ two (2) weeks. The

1 notice shall specify the time, place and terms of sale.
2 All proceeds of the sale shall be paid into the county
3 treasury and only expended for a site or toward the
4 erection of a new building to replace the one sold.

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6 **18-6-201. Construction of jails; authority of county**
7 **commissioners; plans and specifications; maximum cost**
8 **permitted; call for bids; limitations applicable only when**
9 **costs paid from general fund.**

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11 (a) Whenever the board of county commissioners deems
12 it in the best interest of the county to have a jail
13 constructed they shall cause plans and specifications for a
14 jail to be prepared by a competent architect. After the
15 plans and specifications are prepared, reviewed and
16 critiqued by the sheriff and adopted by the board of county
17 commissioners they shall deposit them in the office of the
18 county clerk for the county where they shall be available
19 for the inspection of all persons. The board of county
20 commissioners shall give notice that they will receive
21 sealed proposals for the building of the jail according to
22 the plans and specifications by posting on the county's
23 official website in the manner provided in W.S. 18-3-516(f)
24 and by publication in a—the county's designated official

1 newspaper once each week for ~~four (4)~~ two (2) consecutive
2 weeks. ~~in any newspaper of general circulation within the~~
3 ~~county.~~ The notices shall state that the commissioners will
4 until a specified day not less than thirty (30) days from
5 publication of the last notice receive sealed proposals for
6 the building of all or part of the jail. Proposals shall be
7 delivered to the county clerk.

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9 **Section 2.** W.S. 18-3-516(b)(ii) and (c) is repealed.

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11 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2014.

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