

SENATE FILE NO. SF0142

Prohibition on private funds for conducting elections.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Steinmetz, Biteman and Nethercott  
and Representative(s) Clausen and Hunt

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to elections; prohibiting the state or any  
2 political subdivision or governmental entity in the state  
3 from accepting and expending private funds to conduct  
4 elections as specified; and providing for an effective  
5 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. 22-2-123 is created to read:

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11 **22-2-123. Private funds in elections prohibited.**

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13 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the  
14 state and each political subdivision or governmental entity  
15 that conducts or oversees elections in this state shall not

1 accept or expend private, donated funds for registering  
2 voters or for preparing for, conducting or overseeing an  
3 election. This subsection shall not apply to the secretary  
4 of state when accepting or expending private funds for the  
5 explicit purpose of election training or education nor  
6 shall this subsection apply to meals or food provided or  
7 donated in support of election training or education or  
8 provided on election day to poll workers and other election  
9 staff.

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11 (b) Nothing in this section shall be construed to  
12 prohibit the acceptance and expenditure of federal funds  
13 for elections as provided by law.

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15 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2021.

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