

ENROLLED ACT NO. 72, SENATE

SIXTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING  
2013 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to children; modifying provisions relating to family reunification as specified; and providing for an effective date.

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

**Section 1.** W.S. 14-2-309(c)(intro), (ii) and by creating new paragraphs (iii) and (iv) and by renumbering (iii) as (v) is amended to read:

**14-2-309. Grounds for termination of parent-child relationship; clear and convincing evidence.**

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, evidence that reasonable efforts have been made to preserve and reunify the family is not required in any case in which the court determines any one (1) or more of the following by clear and convincing evidence: ~~that~~

(ii) The parent abandoned, chronically abused or sexually abused the child; ~~or~~

(iii) The parent has been convicted of committing one (1) or more of the following crimes against the child or another child of that parent:

(A) Sexual assault under W.S. 6-2-302 through 6-2-304;

(B) Sexual battery under W.S. 6-2-313;

(C) Sexual abuse of a minor under 6-2-314 through 6-2-317.

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(iv) The parent is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to W.S. 7-19-302 if the offense involved the child or another child of that parent. This shall not apply if the parent is only required to register for conviction under W.S. 6-2-201;

~~(iii)~~ (v) Other aggravating circumstances exist indicating that there is little likelihood that services to the family will result in successful reunification.

**Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2013.

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Governor

TIME APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

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Chief Clerk