ORIGINAL HOUSE BILL NO. <u>HB0217</u>

ENROLLED ACT NO. 44, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2021 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to public health and safety; modifying the department of health grant program for community health centers and rural health clinics as specified; repealing a sunset date; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 9-2-127(a), (c), (d)(intro), (ii) and (v) is amended to read:

- 9-2-127. Community health centers and rural health clinics; process for grants facilitating capital construction, start up costs and equipment costs; account established; grant criteria.
- (a) There is created a process for grants facilitating capital construction and <u>for</u> start up costs <u>and equipment costs</u> of community health centers and rural health clinics. The process shall be administered by the Wyoming department of health, <u>which shall award grants in accordance with this section and consistent with the requirements imposed for the receipt of any federal grants <u>when applicable</u>.</u>
- (c) The department shall establish by rule and regulation an application procedure and calendar for grants awarded under subsection (d) this section and adopt other rules as necessary to implement this section.
- (d) The department shall provide grants, Any grants provided by the department under this section that are funded in whole or in part with state funds shall be subject to the following:

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- (ii) Grants may be made to community health centers and rural health clinics for one-time startup costs of a new center or clinic, for existing centers or clinics to expand the population served or initiate new services for existing or new centers or clinics to facilitate compliance with quality criteria. The grants shall be used for capital and expenses, start up expenses costs and equipment costs only and shall not be used for ongoing operating expenses;
- (v) Centers or clinics awarded a grant shall provide services to the public regardless of the ability to pay; and

Section 2. W.S. 9-2-127(d)(vi) and (g) is repealed.

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Section 3. This act is effective immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution.

(END)

Speaker of the House	President of the Senate
Governor	
TIME APPROVED:	
DATE APPROVED:	
I hereby certify that this act orig	inated in the House.
Chief Clerk	