

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0250

Ban on sanctuary cities and counties.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Gray, Baker, Jennings,  
Knapp and Neiman and Senator(s) Hicks,  
Salazar and Steinmetz

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to cities, towns and counties; banning the  
2 implementation of immigration sanctuary policies by cities,  
3 towns and counties; providing penalties; requiring  
4 certification of compliance; requiring a report; 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. 15-1-132 and 18-2-116 are created to  
10 read:

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12 **15-1-132. Prohibition on immigration sanctuary**  
13 **policies by cities and towns; certification of compliance.**

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1           (a) No governing body of a city or town, whether  
2 acting through its governing body or by an initiative,  
3 referendum or any other process, shall enact, adopt,  
4 implement or enforce any policy that prohibits or restricts  
5 local officials or employees from communicating or  
6 cooperating with federal officials or law enforcement  
7 officers with regard to reporting immigration status  
8 information while the local official or employee is acting  
9 within the scope of their official duties.

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11           (b) Any governing body of a city or town that acts in  
12 violation of this section shall be subject to the  
13 withholding of all state and state administered federal  
14 funding, unless otherwise specifically provided by law.

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16           (c) As used in this section:

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18           (i) "Federal officials or law enforcement  
19 officers" means any person employed by the United States  
20 government for the purpose of enforcing or regulating  
21 federal immigration laws and any peace officer as defined  
22 in W.S. 7-2-101(a)(iv) when the person or peace officer is  
23 acting within the scope of their employment for the purpose

1 of enforcing federal immigration laws or preserving  
2 homeland security;

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4 (ii) "Immigration status" means the legality or  
5 illegality of an individual's presence in the United States  
6 as determined by federal law;

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8 (iii) "Immigration status information" means any  
9 information which is not confidential or privileged by law  
10 including any statement, document, computer generated data,  
11 recording or photograph that is relevant to immigration  
12 status or the identity or location of an individual who is  
13 reasonably believed to be illegally residing within the  
14 United States or who is involved in international or  
15 domestic terrorism as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 2331;

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17 (iv) "Local official or employee" means any  
18 elected or appointed official, supervisor or managerial  
19 employee, contractor, agent or peace officer acting on  
20 behalf of or in conjunction with a city or town;

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1           (v) "Policy" means any regulation, rule, policy  
2 or practice adopted by the governing body of a city or  
3 town.

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5           **18-2-116. Prohibition on immigration sanctuary**  
6 **policies by counties; certification of compliance.**

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8           (a) No governing body of a county, whether acting  
9 through its governing body or by an initiative, referendum  
10 or any other process, shall enact, adopt, implement or  
11 enforce any policy that prohibits or restricts local  
12 officials or employees from communicating or cooperating  
13 with federal officials or law enforcement officers with  
14 regard to reporting immigration status information while  
15 the local official or employee is acting within the scope  
16 of their official duties.

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20 reasonably believed to be illegally residing within the  
21 United States or involved in international or domestic  
22 terrorism as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 2331;

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1           (iv) "Local official or employee" means any  
2 elected or appointed official, supervisor or managerial  
3 employee, contractor, agent or peace officer acting on  
4 behalf of or in conjunction with a county;

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6           (v) "Policy" means any regulation, rule, policy  
7 or practice adopted by the governing body of a county.

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9           **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon  
10 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law  
11 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming  
12 Constitution.

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