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Post-conviction DNA testing-procedure amendments.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Landen, Case, Crago, Crum and Nethercott and Representative(s) Brady, Bratten, Filer, Harshman and Washut

A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to criminal procedure; amending the date of
- 2 conviction for purposes of when a due diligence showing is
- 3 required before post-conviction DNA testing; and providing
- 4 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. 7-12-303(d) is amended to read:

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- 10 7-12-303. New trial; motion for post-conviction
- 11 testing of DNA; motion contents; sufficiency of

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12 allegations, consent to DNA sample; definitions.

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1 (d) The court may not order DNA testing in cases in which the trial or a plea of guilty or nolo contendere 2 3 occurred after January 1, 2000 July 1, 2008 and the person 4 did not request DNA testing or present DNA evidence for strategic or tactical reasons or as a result of a lack of 5 due diligence, unless the failure to exercise due diligence 6 is found to be a result of ineffective assistance of 7 8 counsel. A person convicted before January 1, 2000 July 1, 9 2008 shall not be required to make a showing of due diligence under this subsection. 10

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12 Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2025.

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14 (END)

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