

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0182

Criminal background checks.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) McOmie and Simpson and
Senator(s) Case

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to criminal background checks; requiring
2 state and national background checks for employees in
3 specified circumstances; and providing for an effective
4 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. 7-19-201(a) and (b) is amended to
9 read:

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11 **7-19-201. State or national criminal history record**
12 **information.**

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14 (a) State institution, department of family services
15 or department of health employees who may have access to
16 minors, to persons suffering mental illness or

1 developmental disabilities or to the elderly shall be
2 required to submit to fingerprinting for the purpose of
3 obtaining state ~~or~~ and national criminal history record
4 information before employment or transfer to a position
5 where access is acquired. On and after July 1, 1996,
6 applicants for initial certification by the professional
7 teaching standards board and employees initially hired by a
8 school district on or after July 1, 1996, who may have
9 access to minors in the course of their employment shall be
10 required to submit to fingerprinting for the same purposes.
11 For purposes of this article, department of health or
12 department of family services contractors providing
13 specialized home care or respite care to minors shall be
14 considered departmental employees.

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16 (b) Fingerprints taken pursuant to this article shall
17 be submitted to the Wyoming division of criminal
18 investigation for processing and obtaining state ~~or~~ and
19 national criminal history record information and shall be
20 accompanied by the fee required by W.S. 7-19-108. Upon
21 payment of required fees, the division shall process and
22 obtain state and national criminal history record
23 information for the Wyoming state board of nursing or for
24 an applicant for licensure or certification by the board.

1 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2003.

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