

SENATE FILE NO. SF0098

Juneteenth holiday.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Scott and Representative(s) Walsh

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to state holidays; providing for the
2 Juneteenth holiday as specified; and providing for an
3 effective date.

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

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 8-4-107 is created to read:

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9 **8-4-107. Juneteenth holiday.**

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11 (a) In celebration of the end of slavery in the
12 United States proclaimed by Major General Gordon Granger on
13 June 19, 1865 more than two and one-half (2½) years after
14 the Emancipation Proclamation was issued by President
15 Abraham Lincoln, and in recognition of those who died and
16 sacrificed to achieve the end of slavery, the Juneteenth
17 holiday is established.

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2 (b) The Juneteenth holiday shall be celebrated each
3 year with appropriate activities on the third Saturday of
4 June.

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6 (c) This section shall not affect commercial paper,
7 the making or execution of written agreements or judicial
8 proceedings, or authorize public schools, business or state
9 and local government offices to close.

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

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