HOUSE BILL NO. HB0148

Tobacco prevention, cessation and treatment programs.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Walters and Senator(s) Wasserburger

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to public health and safety; requiring the
department of health to develop and implement statewide
tobacco prevention, cessation and treatment programs and
provide materials as specified; and providing for an
effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 9-2-102(a) by creating a new
paragraph (vi) and 9-4-1204(a) are amended to read:

9-2-102. Department of health; duties and
responsibilities; state grants.
(a) The department of health is the state mental health authority, the developmental disabilities authority and the substance abuse authority. The department through its divisions has the following duties and responsibilities to:

(vi) Develop and implement comprehensive tobacco prevention, cessation and treatment programs for Wyoming, as provided in W.S. 9-4-1204.

9-4-1204. Tobacco settlement funds; reduction of tobacco use.

(a) Using a science and experience based approach, the department of health shall develop and implement the comprehensive tobacco prevention, cessation and treatment programs for Wyoming. These programs the department of health develops pursuant to W.S. 9-2-102(a)(vi) shall include peer reviewed science based educational materials on tobacco harm reduction and the comparative risks of alternative nicotine products, vapor products, smokeless tobacco products, cigarettes and other combustible tobacco products. The program should be tailored to provide the
most cost effective reduction of tobacco related problems based on available funds for each year. The department shall provide all adult consumers of tobacco products seeking information on tobacco cessation and minors consenting to health care under W.S. 14-1-101(b)(vi) with materials on tobacco harm reduction and the comparative risks of alternative nicotine products, vapor products, smokeless tobacco products, cigarettes and other combustible tobacco products.

Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2017.