

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0167

Photo ID voting requirement.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Lone, Biteman, Clem,
Edwards and Gray

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to elections; requiring photo
2 identification to vote; and providing for an effective
3 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. 22-1-102(a)(xxvi) and (xxxix),
8 22-2-119, 22-3-102(a)(iv) and 22-3-118(a)(intro), (b)(i)
9 and (c)(i) are amended to read:

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11 **22-1-102. Definitions.**

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13 (a) The definitions contained in this chapter apply
14 to words and phrases used in this Election Code and govern
15 the construction of those words and phrases unless they are

1 specifically modified by the context in which they appear.

2 As used in this Election Code:

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4 (xxvi) "Qualified elector" includes every
5 citizen of the United States who is a bona fide resident of
6 Wyoming, has registered to vote and will be at least
7 eighteen (18) years of age on the day of the election at
8 which he may offer to vote. No person is a qualified
9 elector who does not show a current, valid photo
10 identification before voting, who is a currently
11 adjudicated mentally incompetent person, or who has been
12 convicted of a felony and his civil or voting rights have
13 not been restored. A literacy test shall not be imposed as
14 a condition to voting in any election;

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16 (xxxix) "Acceptable identification" means a
17 current, valid photo identification and may also include
18 one (1) of the identification documents or other proof of
19 identity as specified by rule of the secretary of state as
20 adequate proof of the identity of a voter;

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22 **22-2-119. Qualified elector may vote.**

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1 Except as specifically provided otherwise a person may vote
2 only if ~~he~~ the person is a qualified elector, only if the
3 person shows a current, valid photo identification before
4 voting and only in the precinct in which ~~he~~ the person
5 resides.

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7 **22-3-102. Qualifications; temporary registration.**

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9 (a) A person may register to vote not less than
10 fourteen (14) days before an election, at any election
11 specified in W.S. 22-2-101(a)(i) through (viii) or as
12 provided by W.S. 22-3-117, who satisfies the following
13 qualifications:

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15 (vi) The person shows a current, valid photo
16 identification.

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18 **22-3-118. Proof of identity.**

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20 (a) ~~Unless a voter is challenged pursuant to W.S.~~
21 ~~22-15-101 through 22-15-109, no~~ A current, valid photo
22 identification shall be required when:

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1 (b) Prior to voting, when a voter has registered by
2 mail and is voting in person in his first Wyoming federal
3 election, he shall provide:

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5 (i) A current, valid photo identification. ~~or~~

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7 (c) When a voter has registered by mail and he is
8 voting by mail in his first Wyoming federal election, he
9 shall submit with his absentee ballot:

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11 (i) A copy of a current, valid photo
12 identification. ~~or~~

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14 **Section 2.** W.S. 22-3-118(b)(ii) and (c)(ii) is
15 repealed.

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17 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2017.

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