

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0187

Elected official residency requirement.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Hunt, Blackburn, Clausen,
Clifford, Duncan and Neiman and Senator(s)
Case

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to elected officials; prescribing residency
2 requirements for county officers; prescribing when a
3 vacancy in office occurs; providing applicability; and
4 providing 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. 18-3-201(a), 18-3-401, 18-3-501(a),
9 18-3-601, 18-3-801 and 22-18-101(f) are amended to read:

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11 **18-3-201. Qualifications; certification and**
12 **education.**

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14 (a) There shall be elected in each county a county
15 assessor as provided by the Wyoming Election Code of 1973

1 as amended, who shall be a qualified elector and own real
2 property in the county in which he is elected. The county
3 assessor shall be a resident of the county in which the
4 county assessor serves, beginning on the first day of the
5 term and through the last day of the term for which the
6 county assessor serves.

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8 **18-3-401. Office created; election.**

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10 There shall be elected in each county a county clerk, who
11 shall be a resident of the county in which the county clerk
12 serves, beginning on the first day of the term and through
13 the last day of the term for which the county clerk serves.

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15 **18-3-501. Composition; election for increasing the**
16 **number; term; quorum; election for districting; procedures.**

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18 (a) Each board of county commissioners shall consist
19 of three (3) qualified electors who shall be elected in the
20 following manner: at the general election held in the year
21 1980 and every fourth year thereafter, there shall be
22 elected one (1) commissioner for a term of four (4) years
23 and at the general election held in the year of 1978 and

1 every fourth year thereafter there shall be elected two (2)
2 commissioners for a term of four (4) years each. Any two
3 (2) members of the board constitute a quorum and are
4 competent to act. In addition to the other residency
5 requirements imposed by this section, each county
6 commissioner shall be a resident of the county in which the
7 county commissioner serves, beginning on the first day of
8 the term and through the last day of the term for which the
9 county commissioner serves.

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11 **18-3-601. Office created; election.**

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13 There shall be elected in each county a county sheriff, who
14 shall be a resident of the county in which the county
15 sheriff serves, beginning on the first day of the term and
16 through the last day of the term for which the county
17 sheriff serves.

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19 **18-3-801. Election.**

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21 There shall be elected in each county a county treasurer, who
22 shall be a resident of the county in which the county
23 treasurer serves, beginning on the first day of the term

1 and through the last day of the term for which the county
2 treasurer serves.

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4 **22-18-101. When deemed to occur.**

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6 (f) In addition to subsections (a) through (c) of
7 this section, a vacancy shall occur:

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9 (i) In the office of a member of the state
10 legislature when the person fails to reside in the
11 legislative district from which he is elected;

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13 (ii) In the office of a county assessor, county
14 clerk, county commissioner, county sheriff or county
15 treasurer when the person fails to reside in the county
16 from which he is elected.

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18 **Section 2.** The residency requirements of this act
19 shall apply to elected or appointed county officers whose
20 terms commence on or after the effective date of this act.

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1 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2021.

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