HOUSE BILL NO. HB0195

Wyoming medical review panel-repeal.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Olsen, Crago, Larsen,
Nicholas, Oakley, Simpson, Sommers and Stith
and Senator(s) Hicks, Nethercott, Perkins
and Steinmetz

A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to the medical review panel; repealing the
- 2 Wyoming Medical Review Panel Act of 2005; ceasing review of
- 3 new malpractice claims by the medical review panel; and
- 4 providing for effective dates.

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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. 1-38-102(d) is amended to read:

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- 10 1-38-102. Action to be brought by wrongful death
- 11 representative; recovery exempt from debts; measure and

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12 element of damages; limitation of action.

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- 1 (d) An action for wrongful death shall be commenced
- 2 within two (2) years after the death of the decedent. If
- 3 the decedent's death involved medical malpractice this
- 4 limitation period shall be tolled as provided in W.S.
- 5 9-2-1518 upon receipt by the director of the medical review
- 6 panel of a malpractice claim.

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- 8 **Section 2.** W.S. 9-2-1513 through 9-2-1523 are
- 9 repealed.

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- 11 Section 3. On and after the effective date of this
- 12 section, no malpractice claims against health care
- 13 providers shall be filed with the medical review panel
- 14 created by W.S. 9-2-1517(a). On and after the effective
- 15 date of this section, all activities related to the
- 16 implementation of the Wyoming Medical Review Panel Act of
- 17 2005 shall be ceased except as necessary to finalize
- 18 decisions on malpractice claims against health care
- 19 providers that are filed with the medical review panel
- 20 prior to the effective date of this section.

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1	Section 4.
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3	(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this
4	section, this act is effective July 1, 2022.
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6	(b) Sections 3 and 4 of this act are effective
7	immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a
8	bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of
9	the Wyoming Constitution.
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