

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0070

Abortion-informed consent.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Rodriguez-Williams, Bear,  
Gray, Haroldson, Neiman and Ottman and  
Senator(s) Biteman, French and James

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to public health and safety; requiring  
2 physicians to provide patients with specified information  
3 before nonemergency abortion procedures; amending  
4 disciplinary grounds; and 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. 33-26-402(a)(xxvii) by creating a new  
9 subparagraph (U) and 35-6-119(a) and by creating a new  
10 subsection (c) are amended to read:

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12 **33-26-402. Grounds for suspension; revocation;**  
13 **restriction; imposition of conditions; refusal to renew or**  
14 **other disciplinary action.**

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1           (a) The board may refuse to renew, and may revoke,  
2 suspend or restrict a license or take other disciplinary  
3 action, including the imposition of conditions or  
4 restrictions upon a license on one (1) or more of the  
5 following grounds:

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7                   (xxvii) Unprofessional or dishonorable conduct  
8 not otherwise specified in this subsection, including but  
9 not limited to:

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11                                   (U) Performing an abortion in violation of  
12 W.S. 35-6-119.

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14                   **35-6-119. Information provided to patient;**  
15 **exceptions.**

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17           (a) Except in the case of a medical emergency, the  
18 physician performing the abortion on the patient, the  
19 referring physician or a person designated by either  
20 physician shall, before performing an abortion, inform the  
21 patient of:

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1           (i) The nature of the proposed abortion  
2 procedure, to be provided in writing;

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4           (ii) The probable gestational age and a  
5 description of the development of the unborn child at the  
6 time the abortion would be performed, to be provided  
7 verbally;

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9           (iii) The opportunity to view an active  
10 ultrasound of the unborn child and hear the heartbeat of  
11 the unborn child if the heartbeat is audible. The active  
12 ultrasound image and auscultation of fetal heart tone shall  
13 be of a quality consistent with standard medical practice  
14 in the community. The patient shall be informed in writing  
15 of the opportunity to view an active ultrasound and hear  
16 the heartbeat;

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18           (iv) The potential impacts of the abortion on  
19 the patients' mental health, to be provided in writing;

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21           (v) Information on governmental services for  
22 pregnant women, to be provided verbally or in writing;

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1           (vi) Risks and alternatives to abortion  
2 procedures including risks of a medication-induced abortion  
3 if the proposed procedure is a medication-induced abortion,  
4 to be provided verbally.

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6           (c) The physician performing the abortion on the  
7 patient, or the physician's agent, shall obtain from the  
8 patient a voluntary and informed written consent that shall  
9 confirm the patient received the information required by  
10 subsection (a) of this section, unless the procedure  
11 performed is exempted provided pursuant to subsection (b)  
12 of this section.

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14           **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2021.

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16   (END)