

SENATE FILE NO. SF0043

Community college district elections.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Wasserburger and Driskill and  
Representative(s) Barlow and Harshman

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to community college district elections;  
2 amending the date of the first regular election of a  
3 community college district board; providing for the terms  
4 of members; clarifying provisions for the conduct of  
5 community college district elections; and providing for an  
6 effective date.

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

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 21-18-302(a), 21-18-304(a)(x),  
11 21-18-309, 21-18-312(r) and 22-22-102(a) and (c) are  
12 amended to read:

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14 **21-18-302. District board generally; quorum;**  
15 **organization; officers.**

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2 (a) Within thirty (30) days after the election  
3 establishing the community college district and its initial  
4 board, and on or about December 1 each year thereafter, the  
5 board shall meet and organize by electing one (1) of its  
6 members as president, one (1) as treasurer, and one (1) as  
7 secretary. The president shall preside at all meetings of  
8 the board except that a temporary chairman may be selected  
9 by the board in his absence. The secretary shall keep the  
10 minutes and proceedings of all board meetings and the  
11 treasurer shall receive all funds payable to the district  
12 and disburse them on the order of the board.

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14 **21-18-304. District board generally; duties.**

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16 (a) The community college district board shall:

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18 (x) Conduct elections held by the community  
19 college district for the regular election of board members,  
20 the issuance of bonds, the questions of mill levies and  
21 annexations and any other community college election  
22 appropriately within the jurisdiction of the district

1 board, all in accordance with the election procedures set  
2 forth in this act;

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4 **21-18-309. First regular election of board; fiscal**  
5 **year.**

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7 The first regular election of a community college district  
8 board ~~following creation of a community college district~~  
9 shall not be held until the ~~May election date authorized~~  
10 ~~under W.S. 22-21-103 of the first fiscal year in which a~~  
11 ~~special mill tax is levied and assessed against the taxable~~  
12 ~~property of the district for the uses and purposes of the~~  
13 ~~district~~ date of the second succeeding general election  
14 that follows the election establishing the community  
15 college district and its initial board. The terms of the  
16 members elected at the first regular election shall begin  
17 as provided by W.S. 22-22-102(a) with the four (4)  
18 candidates receiving the highest number of votes serving  
19 four (4) year terms and the candidates receiving the next  
20 three (3) highest number of votes serving two (2) year  
21 terms. The fiscal year of each community college district  
22 shall begin on July 1 of each year and shall end on June 30  
23 of the following year.

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2           **21-18-312. Formation of districts; initial elections.**

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4           (r) If the election for establishment carries, the  
5 ~~community college commission~~ county clerk shall notify by  
6 registered mail the seven (7) candidates who receive the  
7 highest number of votes in the entire election. The seven  
8 (7) candidates shall constitute the initial board of the  
9 community college district. Terms of office shall begin on  
10 the day immediately following the certification of the  
11 election and shall expire at 12:00 noon on the first day in  
12 December following the first regular election of board  
13 members under W.S. 21-18-309.

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15           **22-22-102. Date of election of trustees; terms.**

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17           (a) The election of members of the board of trustees  
18 of each school district and community college district  
19 shall be held at the regular polling places for each  
20 district on the Tuesday next following the first Monday in  
21 November in general election years, except as otherwise  
22 provided by law. Terms of office shall run for four (4)  
23 years beginning at 12:00 noon on the first day in December

1 following the election, except as otherwise provided by  
2 law.

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4 (c) Not more than a simple majority of members of the  
5 board of trustees of each school district and each  
6 community college district shall be elected at any election  
7 unless the election is to fill an unexpired term. This  
8 subsection shall not apply to the election of the initial  
9 board of a community college district or the first regular  
10 election of a community college district board.

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12 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2022.

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