

ENROLLED ACT NO. 47, SENATE

SIXTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2022 BUDGET SESSION

AN ACT relating to education; establishing Wyoming seals of biliteracy; creating state superintendent responsibilities; authorizing conferral of seals by school districts; requiring reporting; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 21-2-202(a) by creating a new paragraph (xl) and 21-3-111(a) by creating a new paragraph (xxiii) are amended to read:

21-2-202. Duties of the state superintendent.

(a) In addition to any other duties assigned by law, the state superintendent shall:

(xl) Design and establish a Wyoming seal of biliteracy and an advanced distinction Wyoming seal of biliteracy for conferral by a school district to a graduating high school student who is proficient in English and one (1) or more world languages. The superintendent may establish a committee of language educators to identify or approve assessments and levels of proficiency on assessments as necessary to implement this paragraph. The superintendent shall develop policies as necessary regarding the use and appearance of the Wyoming seal of biliteracy and an advanced distinction Wyoming seal of biliteracy on student transcripts. "World language" as used in this paragraph means any language other than English and includes American Sign Language, also known as ASL, classical languages and indigenous languages.

21-3-111. Powers of boards of trustees.

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(a) The board of trustees in each school district within the state may:

(xxiii) Confer a Wyoming seal of biliteracy or an advanced distinction Wyoming seal of biliteracy upon a graduating high school student in accordance with W.S. 21-2-202(a)(xl). Not later than October 15 of each year, each school district shall report to the state superintendent the number of seals of biliteracy issued during the prior school year, the languages the students learned and the type of seal conferred.

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

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

Chief Clerk