

SENATE FILE NO. SF0162

Grace Smith Medical Freedom Act.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Biteman, Brennan, Hutchings,  
Salazar and Steinmetz and Representative(s)  
Andrew and Jennings

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to education; requiring state and county  
2 health officers to grant waivers to immunization  
3 requirements for K-12 students upon request; requiring  
4 state and county health officers to grant mask mandate  
5 waivers for K-12 students upon request; and providing for  
6 an 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. 21-4-309(a) and by creating a new  
11 subsection (e) is amended to read:

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13 **21-4-309. Mandatory immunizations for children**  
14 **attending schools; exceptions; mask mandate waivers.**

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1           (a) Any person attending, full or part time, any  
2 public or private school, kindergarten through twelfth  
3 grade, shall within thirty (30) days after the date of  
4 school entry, provide to the appropriate school official  
5 written documentary proof of immunization. For purposes of  
6 this section, documentary proof of immunization is written  
7 certification by a private licensed physician or his  
8 representative or by any public health authority, that the  
9 person is fully immunized. Documentation shall include  
10 month, day and year of each required immunization received  
11 against vaccine preventable disease as designated by the  
12 state health authority. No school administrator shall  
13 permit a student to attend school for more than thirty (30)  
14 calendar days without documentary proof of immunization.  
15 If immunization requires a series of immunizations over a  
16 period of more than thirty (30) calendar days, the child  
17 shall be permitted to attend school while receiving  
18 continuing immunization if the school administrator  
19 receives written notification by a private licensed  
20 physician or his representative or by a public health  
21 official, specifying a written schedule for necessary  
22 immunization completion within the medically accepted time  
23 period. Waivers to the administration of required

1 immunizations for preventable diseases shall be authorized  
2 granted by the state or county health officer upon  
3 submission of a written ~~evidence of religious objection or~~  
4 ~~medical contraindication to the administration of any~~  
5 vaccine request by the child's parent, legal guardian or  
6 other adult person authorized to consent to medical  
7 treatment of the child seeking the waiver. The state or  
8 county health officer shall grant the requested  
9 immunization waiver within seven (7) business days of  
10 receiving the request for waiver. In the presence of an  
11 outbreak of vaccine preventable disease as determined by  
12 the state or county health authority, school children for  
13 whom a waiver has been issued and who are not immunized  
14 against the occurring vaccine preventable disease shall be  
15 excluded from school attendance for a period of time  
16 determined by the state or county health authority, but not  
17 suspended from school as provided in W.S. 21-4-305.  
18 Children excluded from school attendance under this section  
19 shall not be counted in the aggregate number of pupils  
20 absent as defined in W.S. 21-13-101(a)(i).

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22 (e) The state or county health officer shall grant  
23 waivers to any mask mandate imposed on any person

