

SENATE FILE NO. SF0022

Ground for termination of parental rights-guardianship.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Schuler and Landen and
Representative(s) Chestek, Clouston and
Washut

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to children; providing that a guardianship
2 with a relative and a finding of unfitness may be a ground
3 for the termination of parental rights as specified; and
4 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. 14-2-309(a) by creating a new
9 paragraph (x) is amended to read:

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11 **14-2-309. Grounds for termination of parent-child**
12 **relationship; clear and convincing evidence.**

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(a) The parent-child legal relationship may be terminated if any one (1) or more of the following facts is established by clear and convincing evidence:

(x) The child has been appointed a guardian who is a relative of the child, the child has been under the guardian's care for at least twenty-four (24) consecutive months and a showing that the parent is unfit to have custody and control of the child.

Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2025.

(END)