SENATE FILE NO. SF0090

Youth organizations in schools.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Crum, Boner, Driskill, Hicks and Kolb and Representative(s) Andrew, Bear, Geringer, Harshman and Wylie

A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to education; requiring school districts to
- 2 allow participation of youth patriotic organizations in
- 3 schools as specified; and providing for an effective date.

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

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- 7 **Section 1.** W.S. 21-3-110(a) by creating a new
- 8 paragraph (xliv) is amended to read:

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10 **21-3-110.** Duties of boards of trustees.

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- 12 (a) The board of trustees in each school district
- 13 shall:
- 14 (xliv) Effective beginning with school year
- 15 2025-2026, adopt a policy to allow the participation of

1	patriotic organizations at public schools within the
2	district, in accordance with the following:
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4	(A) Allow a representative of a patriotic
5	organization the opportunity, during school hours, to speak
б	with and distribute informational materials to students, to
7	encourage participation in the patriotic organization and
8	its activities and to inform students of how the patriotic
9	organization may further the students' educational
LO	interests and civic involvement and better the students'
L1	school, community and themselves. A policy allowing a
L2	representative of a patriotic organization to speak with
L3	students under this subsection shall:
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L5	(I) Provide a specific date and time
L6	for the patriotic organization to speak to students at
L7	schools within the district after the patriotic
L8	organization has provided reasonable notice of its intent
L9	to speak to students and provide displays;
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21	(II) Notify parents or guardians of
22	each patriotic organization's expected presentation and the

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1	option of the parents or guardians to withhold consent for
2	their child to participate in the presentation.
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4	(B) Provide opportunities for a patriotic
5	organization to provide displays at schools within the
6	district for student recruitment. The displays may include
7	informational materials and the use of other existing
8	communication channels. The school district shall not
9	unreasonably limit a patriotic organization in the use of
10	any school building or property for the purposes of a
11	display authorized under this subparagraph if the
12	activities occur outside of the school day;
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14	(C) Nothing in this paragraph shall require
15	a school district that allows a patriotic organization to
16	speak with or distribute informational materials to
17	students under this paragraph to provide equal access to an
18	organization that is not designated as a patriotic
19	organization;
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21	(D) As used in this paragraph, "patriotic
22	organization" means a youth membership organization serving
23	persons under the age of twenty-one (21) that has an

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- 1 educational purpose, that promotes patriotism and civic
- 2 <u>involvement and that is a 4-H club</u> or is an organization
- 3 listed in 36 U.S.C. §§ 30101, 30901, 31101, 40301, 70901,
- 4 80301, 140101 or 154101.

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

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