

ORIGINAL HOUSE
BILL NO. HB0289

ENROLLED ACT NO. 49, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2025 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to public health and safety; authorizing the department of health to approve alterations or additions to health care facilities for purposes of health care and life safety compliance determinations only; repealing bed expansion limitations for nursing care facilities and hospitals as specified; requiring reports; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 35-2-906(a) is amended to read:

35-2-906. Construction and expansion of facilities; exemption.

(a) A licensee who contemplates construction of or alteration or addition to a health care facility shall submit plans and specifications to the division for preliminary inspection and approval prior to commencing construction. Significant changes to the original plans must also be submitted and approved prior to implementation. The plans and any changes shall indicate any increase in the number of beds. Information submitted pursuant to this subsection shall be used by the division only for purposes of health care and life safety compliance determinations.

Section 2. W.S. 35-2-901(a)(v) and 35-2-906(b), (c), (f) and (g) are repealed.

Section 3. On or before September 1, 2029, the department of health shall report to the joint labor, health and social services interim committee on the status of construction of nursing care facilities and whether

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hospitals and nursing care facilities are positively or adversely affected by this act.

Section 4. This act is effective July 1, 2026.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

Chief Clerk