

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0321

Election judge selection.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Lucas, Brady, Brown, G,  
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Smith, S, Webb and Webber

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to elections; amending provisions related  
2 to the appointment of election judges; and providing for an  
3 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. 22-8-101(e) and 22-8-112 are amended  
8 to read:

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10 **22-8-101. Notice of election officials needed; county**  
11 **chairmen to submit list of names; municipal clerks list of**  
12 **names appointment.**

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14 (e) If the list of nominees for judges of election  
15 and members of counting boards provided by the county

1 chairman is insufficient, the county clerk shall consider  
2 the list submitted by the municipal clerks and may appoint  
3 any elector otherwise qualified to be a judge of election  
4 or a member of a counting board. When appointing election  
5 judges, the lists provided by the county chairmen of the  
6 major and minor political parties pursuant to subsection  
7 (b) of this section shall be given priority over the list  
8 submitted by the municipal clerks.

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10 **22-8-112. Filling vacancies.**

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12 (a) Any vacancy occurring prior to an election day  
13 shall be filled by the county clerk from the list of  
14 alternates. When filling a vacancy from the list of  
15 alternates, the registered electors appearing on the lists  
16 submitted by the county chairmen of the major and minor  
17 political parties pursuant to W.S. 22-8-101(b) shall be  
18 given priority. If no alternates exist, any elector who is  
19 qualified may be appointed. Any expedient method of notice  
20 of appointment to the county clerk and to the appointee may  
21 be used. Vacancies may be filled temporarily or for the  
22 term.

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1           (b) If a judge is not present when polls open, or is  
2 unable to complete his duties, the vacancy shall be filled  
3 by a registered elector appointed by those judges present  
4 at the precinct polling place when the vacancy occurs and  
5 approved by the county clerk. When filling a vacancy under  
6 this subsection, the lists of registered electors provided  
7 by the county chairmen of the major and minor political  
8 parties pursuant to W.S. 22-8-101(b) shall be given  
9 priority. If a member of a counting board is not present  
10 when the polls close, or is unable to complete his duties,  
11 the vacancy shall be filled by a registered elector  
12 appointed by those members of the counting board who are  
13 present.

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

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