

SENATE FILE NO. SF0055

Third party filers.

Sponsored by: Joint Corporations, Elections & Political  
Subdivisions Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to registered offices and agents; requiring  
2 third-party filers to register with the secretary of state;  
3 authorizing fees; specifying a penalty; providing a  
4 definition; requiring rulemaking; providing an  
5 appropriation; and providing for effective dates.

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

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 17-28-112 is created to read:

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11 **17-28-112. Third-party filer registration.**

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13 (a) As used in this section, "third-party filer"  
14 means a natural person who receives compensation to file  
15 documents with the secretary of state on behalf of one (1)

1 or more business entities and who is not a direct employee,  
2 shareholder, director, member or otherwise under the direct  
3 management or supervision of the business entity on whose  
4 behalf the documents are filed. A "third-party filer" may  
5 include an employee of a commercial registered agent or  
6 another business entity. A "third-party filer" shall not  
7 include an attorney who is a member in good standing of the  
8 Wyoming state bar or a person holding an active certificate  
9 of certified public accountant under the laws of this  
10 state.

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12 (b) A third-party filer shall register with the  
13 secretary of state after filing ten (10) documents with the  
14 secretary of state in one (1) calendar year. If a  
15 third-party filer files ten (10) documents with the  
16 secretary of state in one (1) calendar year, no further  
17 filings shall be accepted from the third-party filer unless  
18 the third-party filer is registered as required under this  
19 section. The secretary of state may reject any document  
20 filed in violation of this subsection up to ninety (90)  
21 days after discovery of the violation.

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1           (c) A third-party filer shall obtain a registration  
2 by filing an application with the secretary of state. The  
3 application shall be notarized, executed and sworn under  
4 penalty of perjury and contain the following information:

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6                   (i) The third-party filer's legal name;

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8                   (ii) The third-party filer's home address, phone  
9 number and email address;

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11                   (iii) If applicable, the third-party filer's  
12 business address, phone number and email address;

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14                   (iv) A copy of the third-party filer's valid  
15 state issued driver's license or identification card.

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17           (d) Every applicant for registration under this  
18 section shall pay a filing fee as set by rule adopted  
19 pursuant to this chapter. The fee shall be designed to  
20 recover the cost of administering the provisions of this  
21 section relating to third-party filers and shall not exceed  
22 fifty dollars (\$50.00). If an application is withdrawn or  
23 denied, the secretary of state shall retain the entire fee.

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2 (e) A registered third-party filer shall notify the  
3 secretary of state of any changes to the information  
4 included in the third-party filer's application under  
5 subsection (c) of this section as required by rule adopted  
6 pursuant to this chapter.

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8 (f) The secretary of state may impose a civil penalty  
9 not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each  
10 violation if a third-party filer who is required to  
11 register under subsection (b) of this section files or  
12 attempts to file a document without registering.

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14 (g) The secretary of state shall hold third-party  
15 filer registration records confidential. The secretary of  
16 state may release third-party filer registration records  
17 only pursuant to a court ordered subpoena or to a bona fide  
18 law enforcement agency for use in a criminal investigation.

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20 **Section 2.** The secretary of state shall promulgate  
21 all rules and forms necessary to implement this act.

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1           **Section 3.** There is appropriated one hundred thousand  
2 dollars (\$100,000.00) from the general fund to the  
3 secretary of state for the period beginning with the  
4 effective date of this section and ending June 30, 2026 to  
5 be expended only for purposes of developing the filing  
6 system necessary to administer this act. This appropriation  
7 shall not be transferred or expended for any other purpose  
8 and any unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from this  
9 appropriation shall revert as provided by law on June 30,  
10 2026. It is the intent of the legislature that this  
11 appropriation not be included in the secretary of state's  
12 standard budget for the immediately succeeding fiscal  
13 biennium.

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1           **Section 4.**

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3           (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of  
4 this section, this act is effective January 1, 2026.

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6           (b) Sections 2, 3 and 4 of this act are effective  
7 immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a  
8 bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of  
9 the Wyoming Constitution.

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