

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0085

Post-election audit procedures.

Sponsored by: Management Audit Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to elections; requiring minutes to be taken
2 for the post-election ballot audit; requiring observation
3 of the post-election ballot audit procedures and results;
4 specifying requirements for observation by representatives
5 of political parties and independent candidates; and
6 providing for an effective date.

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

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 22-6-130(b) and by creating a new
11 subsection (c) is amended to read:

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13 **22-6-130. Post-election ballot audit.**

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15 (b) Each county clerk shall conduct an audit of the
16 election using the statistically significant ballot sample

1 size and the corresponding ballots for the contests
2 selected for audit determined under subsection (a) of this
3 section and shall cause minutes of the audit to be taken.
4 Each county clerk shall provide the audit results and the
5 minutes to the secretary of state not later than one (1)
6 day before the meeting of the state canvassing board as
7 provided in W.S. 22-16-118.

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9 (c) The county clerk shall notify the county chairman
10 of each political party having a candidate on the ballot
11 and all independent candidates of the time and place of the
12 audit required under this section. Not less than two (2)
13 electors in the county, who shall be representatives of
14 different political parties, shall be present during the
15 audit to observe the audit procedures and the results of
16 the audit. Additional political party representatives and
17 representatives of independent candidates may be present
18 while the audit is conducted. Each person present to
19 observe the audit under this subsection shall take the oath
20 for election officials as provided in W.S. 22-8-115. If an
21 insufficient number of representatives are available as
22 required under this subsection, the county clerk may
23 appoint one (1) or more representatives of different

1 political parties as necessary to meet the audit
2 observation requirements of this subsection.
3 Representatives observing the audit under this section
4 shall be given the opportunity to register any observed
5 errors or other objections to the audit with the county
6 clerk and the county clerk shall provide those registered
7 statements, and any response to the statements, to the
8 secretary of state at the time the audit results are
9 submitted under subsection (b) of this section.

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11 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2026.

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