

SENATE FILE NO. SF0023

Outpatient examination and commitment length.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Schuler and Crago and  
Representative(s) Heiner, Larsen, L, Lawley,  
Webb and Wharff

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to public health and safety; amending  
2 provisions related to the involuntary hospitalization of  
3 mentally ill persons; expanding the list of examiners  
4 qualified to perform involuntary hospitalization  
5 examinations; and providing for an effective date.

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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. 25-10-110(e) is amended to read:

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11 **25-10-110. Involuntary hospitalization proceedings.**

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13 (e) The court shall appoint one (1) or more examiners  
14 to examine the proposed patient and to make a written  
15 report to the court of the findings as to the history and

1 mental illness of the proposed patient. The court may order  
2 the proposed patient to appear for examination and if the  
3 proposed patient does not appear the court may compel his  
4 appearance. The examination shall be held at a hospital, a  
5 medical facility, the home of the proposed patient or any  
6 other suitable place which will not have a harmful effect  
7 on his health. The examination shall be conducted no later  
8 than seven (7) days from the date of the notice. If the  
9 examination is conducted by an examiner other than a  
10 licensed physician, a licensed psychiatrist, a licensed  
11 advanced practice registered nurse, a licensed physician  
12 assistant or a licensed psychologist, the court shall  
13 appoint a licensed physician, a licensed psychiatrist, a  
14 licensed psychiatric-mental health nurse practitioner, a  
15 licensed physician assistant with documented education,  
16 training and experience in psychiatric or mental health  
17 assessment and diagnosis or a licensed psychologist to  
18 review the findings of the examiner and conduct a further  
19 examination, if indicated, and to report to the court.

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

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