

SENATE FILE NO. SF0035

School district-cell phone and smart watch policies.

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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to education; requiring school districts to
2 adopt policies governing students' possession and use of
3 cell phones and smart devices in schools; requiring the
4 adopted policies to be submitted to the state
5 superintendent of public instruction; providing
6 definitions; specifying applicability; and providing for an
7 effective date.

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

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11 **Section 1.** W.S. 21-3-110(a) by creating a new
12 paragraph (xlv) is amended to read:

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14 **21-3-110. Duties of boards of trustees.**

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2 (a) The board of trustees in each school district
3 shall:

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5 (xlv) Adopt policies governing student
6 possession and use of cellular telephones and smart devices
7 in schools. Each district shall submit a copy of the policy
8 adopted under this paragraph to the state superintendent as
9 soon as practicable after the initial adoption of the
10 policy and any time thereafter that the policy is
11 substantially revised. A smart device shall not include a
12 wearable device that can only tell time, monitor a person's
13 health information or track a person's location.

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15 **Section 2.** Not later than July 1, 2026, each school
16 district board of trustees shall establish policies
17 required by W.S. 21-3-110(a)(xlv) as created by section 1
18 of this act.

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1 **Section 3.** This act is effective immediately upon
2 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
3 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
4 Constitution.

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