

ENROLLED ACT NO. 52, SENATE

SIXTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2026 BUDGET SESSION

AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; prohibiting sex offenders from residing near child care facilities as specified; providing definitions; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 6-2-320(a) by creating a new paragraph (v) and (e) by creating a new paragraph (iii), 7-19-302 by creating a new subsection (w) and 7-19-303(c) (ii) are amended to read:

6-2-320. Prohibited access to school facilities and child care facilities by adult sex offenders; exceptions; penalties; definitions.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, no person who is eighteen (18) years of age or older who is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to W.S. 7-19-302 shall:

(v) Reside within one thousand (1,000) feet of the property where a child care facility is located, measured from the nearest point on the exterior wall of the registered offender's dwelling unit to the child care facility's property line, except that this paragraph shall not apply if the registered offender's residence was established before July 1, 2026 or before the date when the child care facility was established at the location.

(e) As used in this section:

(iii) "Child care facility" means one (1) or more of the following:

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(A) A facility licensed as a child care provider by the department of family services;

(B) A facility that is administered, owned or supervised by a governmental entity, including the state, local governments and school districts, and that provides care for children in exchange for consideration at the request of the parents, legal guardians or an agency responsible for the children. A facility under this subparagraph shall not include an elementary, middle or high school.

7-19-302. Registration of offenders; procedure; verification; fees.

(w) Upon receiving information from an offender under this section, the division shall verify the residential address of the offender to determine whether the offender lives near a child care facility as defined by W.S. 6-2-320(e)(iii) and whether any of the exceptions in W.S. 6-2-320(a)(v) apply. Upon request by an offender, the sheriff or the division shall determine whether an address provided by the offender is within one thousand (1,000) feet of a child care facility as defined by W.S. 6-2-320(e)(iii).

7-19-303. Offenders central registry; dissemination of information.

(c) The division shall provide notification of registration under this act, including all registration information, to the district attorney of the county where the registered offender is residing at the time of registration or to which the offender moves. In addition, the following shall apply:

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(ii) If the offender was convicted of an offense specified in W.S. 7-19-302(h) or (j), notification shall be provided by mail, personally or by any other means reasonably calculated to ensure delivery of the notice to residential neighbors within at least seven hundred fifty (750) feet of the offender's residence, organizations in the community, including schools, religious and youth organizations by the sheriff or his designee. The division shall provide notice to each child care facility as defined by W.S. 6-2-320(e)(iii) within at least one thousand (1,000) feet of the offender's residence. In addition, notification regarding an offender employed by or attending school at any educational institution shall be provided upon request by the educational institution to a member of the institution's campus community as defined by subsection (h) of this section;

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

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

Chief Clerk