Bias-motivated crimes reporting.

Sponsored by: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

A BILL

for

AN ACT relating to criminal procedure; requiring the reporting of criminal offenses that exhibit evidence of prejudice as specified; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 7-1-102 and 9-1-624(a)(vi) and by creating a new paragraph (vii) are amended to read:

7-1-102. Record of information for ascertaining condition of crime in state.

[Bill Number]
All town, city, county and state law enforcement agencies, district courts, courts of limited jurisdiction, district attorneys, state adult and juvenile correctional institutions and state and local probation and parole agencies shall maintain a public record of crime and criminals and the operation of the criminal justice system. The attorney general shall provide uniform forms for reporting all information necessary to obtain reliable statistics to ascertain the true condition of the crime situation in the state. The uniform forms shall ensure that data and information concerning crimes that exhibit evidence of prejudice based on the categories specified in W.S. 9-1-624(a)(vii) can be reported. The officer, agency or court shall furnish the information requested by the attorney general, except that upon implementation of a case management system in a circuit or district court that has the capability of transferring information electronically, the supreme court shall, on behalf of the circuit or district court, furnish the abstract of the court record to the attorney general as required under W.S. 7-19-107(k).
identification data; missing persons repository; annual crime statistics report; agencies to cooperate.

(a) The division shall:

(vi) At least annually, compile a report on Wyoming crime statistics and make the report publicly available. The report shall include:

(A) Crime statistics submitted by federal, state, tribal and local law enforcement agencies in addition to the information received pursuant to W.S. 7-19-407 and 7-20-107;

(B) Statistics concerning crimes that exhibit evidence of prejudice based on the categories specified in paragraph (vii) of this subsection.

(vii) Establish a statewide uniform crime reporting system to develop statistics concerning crimes that exhibit evidence of prejudice based on race, color, sex, religion, national origin, ancestry and ethnicity.
Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2022.

(END)