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HOUSE BILL NO.

Elections-voter registration revisions.

Sponsored by: Joint Corporations, Elections & Political Subdivisions Interim Committee

A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to elections; clarifying the definition of
- 2 "qualified elector"; making conforming changes related to
- 3 voter registration and voter qualifications; and providing
- 4 for an effective date.

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

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- 8 **Section 1.** W.S. 18-16-102(a)(ix)(C) and (G),
- 9 22-1-102(a)(xxvi), 22-3-102(a)(ii) and (vi), 22-3-103(b)
- 10 and 22-29-104(a)(v)(C) and (G) are amended to read:

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12 **18-16-102.** Definitions.

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2	(a) As used in this act:
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4	(ix) "Qualified elector" means a natural person
5	who:
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7	(C) Will be at least eighteen (18) years of
8	age on the day of the <pre>next</pre> election:
9	to vote;
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11	(G) Has been a bona fide resident of
12	Wyoming for not less than thirty (30) days before the date
13	of the <pre>next</pre> election. at which he offers to vote.
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15	22-1-102. Definitions.
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17	(a) The definitions contained in this chapter apply
18	to words and phrases used in this Election Code and govern
19	the construction of those words and phrases unless they are
20	specifically modified by the context in which they appear.
21	As used in this Election Code:
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1	(xxvi) "Qualified elector" includes every
2	citizen of the United States who is a bona fide resident of
3	Wyoming, has been a bona fide resident of Wyoming for not
4	less than thirty (30) days before the date of the $\underline{\text{next}}$
5	election, at which he offers to vote, has registered to
6	vote and will be at least eighteen (18) years of age on the
7	day of the <pre>next</pre> election. at which he may offer to vote. No
8	person is a qualified elector who is a currently
9	adjudicated mentally incompetent person, or who has been
10	convicted of a felony and his civil or voting rights have
11	not been restored. A literacy test shall not be imposed as
12	a condition to voting in any election;
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14	22-3-102. Qualifications; temporary registration.
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16 (a) A person may register to vote not less than 17 fourteen (14) days before an election, at any election 18 specified in W.S. 22-2-101(a)(i) through (viii) or as provided by W.S. 22-3-117, who satisfies the following 19 20 qualifications:

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22 (ii) He will be at least eighteen (18) years of age on the day of the next **general** election provided he 23

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shall not be permitted to vote until he has attained the 1 2 age of eighteen (18); 3 4 (vi) He has been a bona fide resident of Wyoming for not less than thirty (30) days before the date of the 5 6 next election. at which he offers to vote. 7 8 22-3-103. Furnishing of oath forms; contents thereof. 9 10 (b) Following the provision of the information required in subsection (a) of this section, the form shall 11 12 require the applicant's signature in full below following oath: 13 14 I,, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen 15 16 of the United States; that I am a bona fide resident of the 17 state of Wyoming and this county; I have resided in the state for not less than thirty (30) days before the date of 18 19 the next election; that if registered in another county or 20 state, I hereby request that my registration be withdrawn; 21 that I will be at least eighteen (18) years of age on or before the next election; that 22 I am not

adjudicated a mentally incompetent person, that I have not

been convicted of a felony, or if I have been convicted of 1 2 a felony, I have had my civil or voting rights restored by 3 a competent authority; and that the voter registration 4 information contained herein is true and accurate to my best knowledge and belief. 5 6 (Signature in full of applicant) 7 8 Subscribed and affirmed or sworn to before me by this 9 10 day of, (year). 11 12 (Signature and title of registry agent or person authorized to administer oaths) 13 14 22-29-104. Definitions when principal act is silent. 15 16 17 (a) When used in a principal act, the following definitions apply, unless the term otherwise 18 is 19 specifically defined in that principal act: 20 21 (v) "Qualified elector" means a natural person 22 who:

1	(C) Will be at least eighteen (18) years of
2	age on the day of the <pre>next</pre> election:
3	to vote;
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5	(G) Has been a bona fide resident of
6	Wyoming for not less than thirty (30) days before the date
7	of the <pre>next</pre> election. at which he offers to vote.
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9	Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2026.
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11	(END)