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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO.

Hospital bankruptcy proceedings.

Sponsored by: Joint Labor, Health & Social Services Interim
Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to counties; authorizing trustees of county
2 memorial hospitals and boards of county commissioners to
3 initiate bankruptcy proceedings on behalf of county
4 memorial hospitals as specified; and providing for an
5 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. 18-8-109(a)(intro), (b) and (c) is
10 amended to read:

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12 **18-8-109. Dissolution; bankruptcy.**

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2 (a) Subject to the requirements of this section, the
3 trustees of a memorial hospital may vote to file bankruptcy
4 under chapter 9 of the United States bankruptcy code or to
5 dissolve and terminate the county memorial hospital. The
6 plan to dissolve and terminate the county memorial hospital
7 shall provide for the following:

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9 (b) Before any vote by the trustees to file
10 bankruptcy or plan to dissolve and terminate a county
11 memorial hospital is effective, ~~the plan~~ the bankruptcy
12 petition and initial plan for the adjustment of debts or
13 the dissolution and termination plan shall be approved by
14 the board of county commissioners.

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16 (c) If the board of county commissioners approves the
17 bankruptcy petition and initial plan for adjustment of
18 debts or the dissolution and termination plan, the board of
19 trustees may take all action necessary to obtain
20 confirmation of the plan of adjustment and closure of the
21 case under chapter 9 of the United States bankruptcy code
22 or take all action necessary to effectuate the plan and
23 dissolve and terminate the county memorial hospital.

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

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4 (END)