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INTRODUCTION**

SENATE FILE NO.

Secretary of state-expedited filings.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Rothfuss

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the administration of government;
2 allowing the secretary of state to charge a fee to expedite
3 filings of documents as specified; and providing for an
4 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. 9-1-305(a) by creating a new
9 paragraph (viii) is amended to read:

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11 **9-1-305. Fees; amounts; collection; exceptions.**

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1 (a) The secretary of state shall collect the
2 following fees in advance for:

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4 (viii) Expediting the filing of any document
5 filed pursuant to title 17, title 34 or title 40, chapters
6 1 and 2 of the Wyoming statutes, a maximum of five thousand
7 dollars (\$5,000.00). Notwithstanding any other law to the
8 contrary, the secretary of state may charge a fee as
9 specified in this paragraph to expedite the filing of a
10 document filed with the secretary of state's office
11 pursuant to title 17, title 34 or title 40, chapters 1 and
12 2 of the Wyoming statutes upon the request of the filer.
13 The fee and process for requesting an expedited filing
14 shall be established by rule of the secretary of state
15 taking into account the impact the cost of the filing fee
16 may have on total filings, the costs of expediting the
17 filing and deadlines for responding to filings as required
18 by law. The expedition of a filing shall not grant any
19 benefit over a nonexpedited filing for purposes of the
20 timing of filing.

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24 STAFF COMMENT

1 As an alternative to the last sentence above, the Committee
2 may wish to consider the following instead: The expedition
3 of a filing under this paragraph shall not alter the
4 prioritization of rights determined by the timing of the
5 filing.

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

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11 (END)