

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0058

Constitutional instructional and examination requirements.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Laursen, Bear, Fortner, Hallinan, Haroldson, Jennings and Rodriguez-Williams and Senator(s) French, James, McKeown, Salazar and Steinmetz

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to education; modifying the state and
2 federal constitutional instruction required in public
3 schools; requiring passage of an additional examination for
4 high school graduation 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. 21-9-102 is amended to read:

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11 **21-9-102. Instruction in state and federal**
12 **constitutions required; satisfactory examinations**
13 **prerequisite to graduation.**

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1 All schools and colleges in this state that are supported
2 in any manner by public funds shall give instruction in the
3 essentials of the United States constitution, to include
4 specific instruction on the bill of rights, and the
5 constitution of the state of Wyoming, including the study
6 of and devotion to American institution and ideals, and no
7 student shall receive a high school diploma, associate
8 degree or baccalaureate degree without satisfactorily
9 passing an examination on the principles of the
10 constitution of the United States and the state of Wyoming.
11 For students graduating in the 2022-2023 school year and
12 each school year thereafter, no student shall receive a
13 high school diploma from a Wyoming school district without
14 also passing the civics test required to become a United
15 States citizen by the United States citizenship and
16 immigration services by a score of at least sixty percent
17 (60%). The instruction shall be given ~~for at least three~~
18 ~~(3) years~~ each academic year in kindergarten through grade
19 ~~eight (8) twelve (12)~~ and for one (1) year ~~each~~ in ~~the~~
20 ~~secondary and~~ college grades.
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1 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2022.

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