

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0071

Unemployment insurance-electronic communications.

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

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to unemployment compensation; allowing
2 electronic communications as specified; and providing for
3 an effective date.

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

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 27-3-517 is created to read:

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9 **27-3-517. Electronic delivery of information.**

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11 Whenever this article requires any determination, decision
12 or notice to be transmitted through the mail, the
13 determination, decision or notice may be transmitted by an
14 internet application approved by the department but only
15 upon an election by the claimant or employer to receive the

1 information by electronic transmission. Upon the completion
2 of every electronic transmission authorized by this
3 section, the department shall provide to the claimant or
4 employer an electronic acknowledgement specifying the date
5 and time when the transmission was sent or received. Except
6 as otherwise required by rules applicable to appeals to the
7 courts of this state, determinations, decisions or notices
8 transmitted by an approved electronic means may be appealed
9 or protested by use of the same means. For the purpose of
10 all relevant time limits established by this article,
11 electronically transmitted information shall be deemed
12 delivered on the date indicated on the acknowledgment
13 required by this section, or if no acknowledgement exists,
14 on the date the electronic delivery is initiated by the
15 party sending the information.

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17 **Section 2.** W.S. 27-3-401 by creating a new subsection
18 (c) is amended to read:

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20 **27-3-401. Filing notice and electronic**
21 **communications.**

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1 (c) A claimant or employer may elect to have
2 determinations, decisions or notices transmitted
3 electronically through an internet application approved by
4 the department, in lieu of transmission through the regular
5 mail. Once the election is made by the claimant or
6 employer, any determination, decision or notice required to
7 be mailed to that claimant or employer by this article may
8 be transmitted instead through an internet application
9 approved by the department. Upon the completion of every
10 electronic transmission authorized by this subsection, the
11 department shall provide to the claimant or employer an
12 electronic acknowledgement specifying the date and time
13 when the transmission was sent or received. Except as
14 otherwise required by rules applicable to appeals to the
15 courts of this state, determinations, decisions or notices
16 transmitted by an approved electronic means may be appealed
17 or protested by use of the same means. For the purpose of
18 all relevant time limits established by this article,
19 electronically transmitted information shall be deemed
20 delivered on the date indicated on the acknowledgment
21 required by this subsection, or if no acknowledgement
22 exists, on the date the electronic delivery is initiated by
23 the party sending the information.

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2 **Section 3.** This act is effective immediately upon
3 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
4 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
5 Constitution.

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