

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0141

Political party affiliation.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Eklund, Hutchings, Jaggi,
Miller and Reeder and Senator(s) Anderson,
J.D. (SD02), Bebout and Nutting

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to elections; modifying when declaration of
2 party affiliation is required and procedures relating to
3 declaration; modifying when a voter may change party
4 affiliation; and providing 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. 22-5-212 and 22-5-214 are amended to
9 read:

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11 **22-5-212. When declaration of party affiliation**
12 **required.**

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14 ~~An elector requesting a major party ballot must declare his~~
15 ~~party affiliation, or sign an application for change of~~
16 ~~affiliation before he may receive a party ballot. An~~

1 elector may vote only the nonpartisan ballot and if so, is
2 not required to declare his party affiliation. An elector
3 may not receive a partisan ballot for a primary election if
4 at the time of requesting the ballot he is entered in the
5 pollbook as affiliated with a different political party.
6 Requesting a partisan primary election ballot constitutes a
7 declaration of party affiliation. A ~~change in~~ declaration
8 of party affiliation resulting from a request for a
9 partisan primary election ballot by a previously
10 unaffiliated elector shall be entered on the poll list by
11 the election judge.

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13 **22-5-214. Party affiliation.**

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15 A previously unaffiliated elector who votes a partisan
16 primary election ballot shall be entered on the poll list
17 by the election judge. A previously unaffiliated elector
18 may also become affiliated with a party and an affiliated
19 elector may change his party affiliation by completing an
20 application signed before a notarial officer or election
21 official, and filing it with the county clerk ~~not later~~
22 than at any time not within thirty (30) days before the
23 primary election, or at the polls on the day of the primary
24 ~~or~~ general election, or when requesting an absentee ballot.

1 If the request for an absentee ballot is made for a
2 partisan ballot for a primary election no change in party
3 affiliation shall be made unless the request for the
4 absentee ballot is made at least thirty (30) days before
5 the primary election. A change in declaration of party
6 affiliation at a general election shall be entered on the
7 poll list by the election judge.

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9 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2013.

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