

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0192

Voter fraud prevention.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Gray, Blackburn, Clem,
 Edwards, Jennings, Laursen, Olsen,
 Piiparinen, Western and Zwonitzer and
 Senator(s) Biteman and James

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to elections; requiring photo identification
 2 to vote; making conforming amendments; repealing provisions
 3 related to proof of identity for voting; 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. 22-1-102(a)(xxvi) and (xxxix), 22-2-119
 9 and 22-3-118(a)(intro), (b)(intro) and (c)(intro) are amended
 10 to read:

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12 **22-1-102. Definitions.**

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1 (a) The definitions contained in this chapter apply to
2 words and phrases used in this Election Code and govern the
3 construction of those words and phrases unless they are
4 specifically modified by the context in which they appear. As
5 used in this Election Code:

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7 (xxvi) "Qualified elector" includes every citizen
8 of the United States who is a bona fide resident of Wyoming,
9 has registered to vote and will be at least eighteen (18)
10 years of age on the day of the election at which he may offer
11 to vote. No person is a qualified elector who does not show
12 a current, valid photo identification before voting, who is
13 a currently adjudicated mentally incompetent person, or who
14 has been convicted of a felony and his civil or voting rights
15 have not been restored. A literacy test shall not be imposed
16 as a condition to voting in any election;

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18 (xxxix) "Acceptable identification" means a
19 current, valid photo identification and may also include one
20 (1) of the identification documents or other proof of identity
21 as specified by rule of the secretary of state as adequate
22 proof of the identity of a voter;

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1 **22-2-119. Qualified elector may vote.**

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3 Except as specifically provided otherwise a person may vote
4 only if ~~he~~the person is a qualified elector, only if the
5 person shows a current, valid photo identification before
6 voting and only in the precinct in which ~~he~~the person
7 resides.

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9 **22-3-118. Proof of identity.**

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11 (a) ~~Unless a voter is challenged pursuant to W.S.~~
12 ~~22-15-101 through 22-15-109, no~~ A current, valid photo
13 identification shall be required when:

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15 (b) Prior to voting, when a voter has registered by
16 mail and is voting in person in his first Wyoming federal
17 election, he shall provide ~~+~~ a current, valid photo
18 identification.

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20 (c) When a voter has registered by mail and he is voting
21 by mail in his first Wyoming federal election, he shall submit
22 with his absentee ballot ~~+~~ a copy of a current, valid photo
23 identification.

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2 **Section 2.** W.S. 22-3-118(b)(i) and (ii) and (c)(i) and
3 (ii) is repealed.

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5 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2019.

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