

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0210

Modifying termination of parental rights requirements.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Blackburn, Clifford,  
Henderson, Miller, Newsome, Pelkey and  
Washut

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for

1 AN ACT relating to termination of parental rights;  
2 expanding grounds for termination of parental rights; and  
3 providing for an effective date.

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

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 14-2-309(a)(ix)(A) is amended to  
9 read:

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11 **14-2-309. Grounds for termination of parent-child**  
12 **relationship; clear and convincing evidence.**

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1           (a) The parent-child legal relationship may be  
2 terminated if any one (1) or more of the following facts is  
3 established by clear and convincing evidence:

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5           (ix) The parent committed sexual assault and the  
6 child was conceived as a result of the sexual assault. For  
7 the purposes of this paragraph, the following shall apply:

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9           (A) A person committed sexual assault if  
10 the person was convicted of an offense under W.S. 6-2-302,  
11 6-2-303, 6-2-314 through 6-2-316 or other similar law of  
12 another jurisdiction or is found by clear and convincing  
13 evidence to have committed sexual assault regardless of  
14 whether or not the person was convicted of an offense;

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16           **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2020.

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