

ORIGINAL HOUSE  
BILL NO. HB0214

ENROLLED ACT NO. 19, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING  
2025 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to cities, towns and counties; authorizing local governments to pay claims and demands through electronic payment means; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date.

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

**Section** 1. W.S. 15-1-125(b), 15-4-302(a), 18-3-511(a), 18-3-810 and 18-3-811 are amended to read:

**15-1-125. Presentation and payment of claims; when warrant draws interest; exception.**

(b) Upon the allowance of any claim or demand by the governing body, the treasurer shall ~~issue a check or warrant~~ make payment for the correct amount. The ~~treasurer may make payment by issuing a check or warrant or by using an electronic payment method or fund transfer system.~~ Any check or warrant shall be signed by the mayor and countersigned by the treasurer or any other person the governing body designates to countersign checks or warrants in the treasurer's absence. If there is not sufficient money in the treasury to pay the warrant, the treasurer shall endorse on the warrant the date and a statement that it has been presented for payment but has not been paid for want of funds. Thereafter, the warrant shall draw interest at the rate of ten percent (10%) per year.

**15-4-302. Finances; warrants; use for disbursements; exception; limitations; contents; procedure.**

(a) Except as otherwise provided by law, all disbursements shall be made by check or warrant signed by the manager and countersigned by the mayor or by using an electronic payment method or fund transfer system. No check

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or warrant may be drawn in payment of a claim, and no electronic payment or fund transfer may be made, of more than fifty dollars (\$50.00) until the claim is certified by the manager and allowed by resolution of the governing body. Each electronic payment or fund transfer, check or warrant shall specify its purpose and shall be made payable to the order of the person in whose favor it is drawn.

**18-3-511. Presentation, auditing and payment of claims; issuance of tax-anticipation warrants; limitation and form of warrants; effect of acceptance.**

(a) All claims and demands against a county shall be presented for audit and allowance to the board of county commissioners before any action in court is maintainable. All claims when allowed shall be paid in accordance with this subsection. Claims may be paid by using an electronic payment method or fund transfer system or by a county warrant or order drawn by the board on the county treasurer upon the proper funds in the treasury for the amount of the claims. ~~The~~ Any warrant or order shall be signed by the permanent or temporary chairman of the board, attested by the county clerk under the seal of the county, and countersigned and registered by the county treasurer. The warrant or order shall specify the amount of the claim or service and be numbered and dated in the order in which it is issued. ~~Such~~ Electronic payments or fund transfers, warrants and orders are payable on demand and shall be drawn and issued upon the county treasurer only when there are sufficient monies in the appropriate fund in the treasury to ~~pay such warrants and orders~~ make the required payments.

**18-3-810. Restrictions upon countersigning warrants.**

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No county treasurer shall countersign any blank county order or warrant or other order or warrant, or make any electronic payment or fund transfer, until ~~he~~the treasurer is satisfied that the electronic payment, order or warrant was ordered drawn by the board of county commissioners.

**18-3-811. Register of county orders and payments.**

Each county treasurer shall keep in his office a book called the register of county orders wherein shall be entered on the date of the presentation thereof and without interval or blank line between any entry and the one preceding it every county order, warrant, electronic payment or other certificate or evidence of county indebtedness presented for payment whether or not it is then paid, the date and number of ~~such~~each electronic payment, order or warrant, the amount payable, the name of the person to whom ~~such~~the electronic payment, order or warrant is payable, and the name of the person presenting the same. Every register of county orders shall be available for inspection and examination by any person during usual business hours.

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**Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2025.

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Governor

TIME APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

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Chief Clerk