

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0242

Consumer merchandise-packaging regulation prohibitions.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Oakley, Davis and Henderson

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to cities, towns and counties; prohibiting  
2 cities, towns and counties from enacting and enforcing  
3 ordinances and regulations relating to packages or  
4 containers of consumer merchandise; providing definitions;  
5 specifying applicability; and providing for an effective  
6 date.

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

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 15-1-103 by creating a new subsection  
11 (e) and 18-2-101 by creating a new subsection (b) are  
12 amended to read:

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14 **15-1-103. General powers of governing bodies.**

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1       (e) No governing body of a city or town shall enact  
2 or enforce any ordinance or regulation that prohibits or  
3 limits the use of or charges fees for packaging or  
4 containers for consumer merchandise. As used in this  
5 subsection, "consumer merchandise" means merchandise  
6 offered for sale or lease, or provided with a sale or  
7 lease, primarily or exclusively for personal, family or  
8 household purposes or for protecting or transporting  
9 merchandise, food or beverages from or at a food service or  
10 retail facility.

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12       **18-2-101. General powers.**

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14       (b) No county shall enact or enforce any ordinance or  
15 regulation that prohibits or limits the use of or charges  
16 fees for packaging or containers for consumer merchandise.  
17 As used in this subsection, "consumer merchandise" means as  
18 defined by W.S. 15-1-103(e).

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20       **Section 2.** Any ordinance or regulation in effect on  
21 July 1, 2023 or that is adopted thereafter by a county,  
22 city or town that is in violation of this act is void and  
23 unenforceable.

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**Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2023.

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