

SENATE FILE NO. SF0017

Community juvenile services.

Sponsored by: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to community juvenile services; authorizing
2 counties to be direct grant recipients of community
3 juvenile services grants; modifying grant eligibility and
4 requirements; conforming provisions; and providing for an
5 effective date.

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

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 5-6-114, 7-13-304(c), 14-9-103(a) by
10 creating a new paragraph (vii) and by renumbering (vii) as
11 (viii), 14-9-105(a)(intro) and by creating a new subsection
12 (b), 14-9-106(b)(intro), (ii), by creating a new subsection
13 (c) and by renumbering (c) as (d) and 14-9-108(a)(i),
14 (iii), (iv)(intro) and (c) are amended to read:

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16 **5-6-114. Special probation for minor defendants.**

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1 As a condition of probation or suspension of sentence, the
2 court may require a defendant who is a minor to
3 successfully complete a juvenile service program offered ~~by~~
4 ~~a community juvenile services board~~ under the Community
5 Juvenile Services Act.

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7 **7-13-304. Imposition or modification of conditions;**
8 **performance of work by defendant.**

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10 (c) As a condition of probation or suspension of
11 sentence, the court may require a defendant who is a minor
12 to successfully complete a juvenile service program offered
13 ~~by a community juvenile services board~~ under the Community
14 Juvenile Services Act.

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16 **14-9-103. Definitions.**

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18 (a) As used in this act:

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20 (vii) "Advisory board" means a board established
21 by a board of county commissioners which meets the
22 requirements of W.S. 14-9-105(b);

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1 ~~(vii)~~ (viii) "This act" means W.S. 14-9-101
2 through 14-9-108.

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4 **14-9-105. Community juvenile services boards;**
5 **advisory boards.**

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7 (a) A county may, in accordance with the Wyoming
8 Joint Powers Act, enter into an agreement with one (1) or
9 more counties, any or all cities within the county or
10 counties, and any or all school districts within the county
11 or counties, to form a joint powers board to serve as a
12 community juvenile services board under this act. The
13 board shall include, at a minimum, representation from five
14 (5) of the following entities within the jurisdictional
15 boundaries of the community juvenile services board:

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17 (b) As an alternative to a community board, the
18 county commissioners of a county may form a juvenile
19 services advisory board. In forming an advisory board the
20 county commissioners shall include representation from at
21 least five (5) of the entities specified in subsection (a)
22 of this section.

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1 14-9-106. Community board powers; requirements of
2 boards and counties.

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4 (b) Subject to this act, a community board or a board
5 of county commissioners which has appointed an advisory
6 board in accordance with W.S. 14-9-105(b) shall:

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8 (ii) Develop a community juvenile services
9 strategic plan ~~and provide for periodic review of the plan;~~
10 to accomplish the following purposes:

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12 (A) Use of a uniform screening instrument;

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14 (B) Assessments of referred children by
15 licensed professionals who may include medical, mental
16 health, social service and educational personnel;

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18 (C) Procedures to facilitate referrals of
19 youth and families of youth needing services by:

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21 (I) School districts;

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23 (II) Law enforcement;

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1 (III) Licensed mental health care
2 providers;

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4 (IV) Licensed health care providers;

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6 (V) A court;

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8 (VI) The department of family
9 services;

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11 (VII) Community youth organizations;

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13 (VIII) Families of youth needing
14 services;

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16 (IX) Self-referred youth.

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18 (D) Periodic review of the strategic plan.

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20 (c) A juvenile services advisory board shall provide
21 advice to the board of county commissioners concerning the
22 availability and need for juvenile services within the
23 county and the expenditure of any funds received by the
24 county pursuant to this act. The advisory board may also

1 assist the board of county commissioners, or the
2 appropriate county official as directed by the county
3 commissioners, in preparing the strategic plan required by
4 this section and the grant application required under W.S.
5 14-9-108.

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7 ~~(e)~~(d) The community board shall not provide any
8 services to any child without first obtaining written
9 consent from the child's parent or guardian unless
10 participation in the program or service offered by the
11 community board is a condition of court ordered probation
12 or suspension of sentence. A court of limited jurisdiction
13 may authorize the community board to provide services to a
14 child if, after a hearing, the court finds that the child's
15 parent or guardian unreasonably refused to provide written
16 consent for the child to receive services.

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18 **14-9-108. Grant eligibility; allocation of funds.**

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20 (a) To qualify for a grant under this act, an
21 applicant shall:

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23 (i) Be created as a community board as provided
24 by W.S. 14-9-105 or be a board of county commissioners

1 which has appointed an advisory board in accordance with
2 W.S. 14-9-105(b);

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4 (iii) Receive certification from the department
5 of family services that the strategic plan developed by the
6 community board or county addresses the purposes of this
7 act;

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9 (iv) Develop a system ~~approved by the department~~
10 for:

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12 (c) For grants awarded to community boards, services
13 for juveniles under this section shall be paid
14 cooperatively by the departments of family services, health
15 and education to the providers of those services. For
16 grants awarded to counties acting with an advisory board,
17 services shall be paid by the county from grant funds
18 provided to the county.

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20 **Section 2.** W.S. 14-9-106(b)(iii) and (iv) is
21 repealed.

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1 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2013.

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