SENATE FILE NO. SF0021

Theft of identity-minors.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Johnson

A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to theft of identity; increasing the
- 2 penalty if the victim is a minor and the alleged
- 3 perpetrator is the parent or legal guardian of the victim;
- 4 providing a definition authorizing a parent or legal
- 5 guardian to place a security freeze on the credit report of
- 6 a minor; and providing for an effective 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. 6-3-901(c)(i) and (ii) and 40-12-503
- 11 by creating a new subsection (h) are amended to read:

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13 6-3-901. Unauthorized use of personal identifying

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14 information; penalties; restitution.

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16 (c) Theft of identity is:

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1 2 (i) Except as otherwise provided in this 3 subsection, a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for 4 not more than six (6) months, a fine of not more than seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00), or both, if no economic 5 benefit was gained or was attempted to be gained, or if an 6 economic benefit of less than one thousand dollars 7 8 (\$1,000.00) was gained or was attempted to be gained by the defendant; or 9 10 11 (ii) A felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than ten (10) years, a fine of not more than ten 12 thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), or both, if an economic 13 benefit of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or more was 14 gained or was attempted to be gained by the defendant or 15 16 regardless of any economic benefit if the victim is less than eighteen (18) years of age and the person violating 17 18 this section is the victim's parent or legal guardian.

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20 **40-12-503**. Security freeze.

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1 (h) As used in this section, "consumer" includes the parent or legal guardian of a person less than eighteen 3 (18) years of age. 4 Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2015. 5 6

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