

SENATE FILE NO. SF0062

WCCC director-ex-officio memberships.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Coe and Representative(s) Teeters

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to education; requiring the director of the
2 Wyoming community college commission to serve on the
3 University of Wyoming board of trustees and the state board
4 of education in an ex-officio capacity; and providing for
5 effective dates.

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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. 21-2-301(a), 21-17-201 and
10 21-18-202(c)(v) are amended to read:

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12 **21-2-301. Appointment; qualifications, terms and**
13 **removal of members; meetings; chairman.**

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15 (a) There is created a state board of education
16 composed of ~~thirteen (13)~~ fourteen (14) members, eleven
17 (11) of whom shall be voting appointed members with at

1 least one (1) member appointed from each appointment
2 district pursuant to W.S. 9-1-218. Appointments from each
3 appointment district shall be rotated among the several
4 counties comprising the district. The remaining members of
5 the board shall be the director of the Wyoming community
6 college commission, the state superintendent of public
7 instruction and the director of the state department of
8 education, ~~the state superintendent and the director~~ who
9 shall ~~be~~ serve as ex-officio members and shall not have the
10 right to vote. One (1) appointed member shall be appointed
11 at large and shall be a certified classroom teacher at the
12 time of appointment. One (1) appointed member shall also be
13 appointed at large and shall be a certified school
14 administrator at the time of appointment. Two (2)
15 appointed members shall be appointed at large and shall be
16 representative of private business or industry in Wyoming.
17 On and after March 1, 2013 and upon expiration of their
18 respective terms, the appointments of the two (2) members
19 previously designated to be representative of business or
20 industry shall be at large, one (1) a representative of
21 Wyoming private business or industry and one (1) a member
22 of a school district board of trustees at the time of
23 appointment. The first appointment to the term of such
24 member which expires on or after March 1, 2013, shall be a

1 school district board member at the time of appointment.
2 The remaining seven (7) appointed members of the board
3 shall be appointed from among the lay citizens of the state
4 who are electors of the state, known for their public
5 spirit, business or professional ability and interest in
6 education. Not more than six (6) appointed members of the
7 board shall be from one (1) political party. Members shall
8 be appointed for six (6) year terms, except those who may
9 be appointed to fill unexpired terms. Members shall be
10 appointed by the governor with the approval of the senate.
11 Vacancies shall be filled by the governor without senate
12 approval until the next session of the legislature. No
13 member is eligible to reappointment, except any member
14 appointed to fill an unexpired term of less than six (6)
15 years may be reappointed for one (1) additional six (6)
16 year term. Appointed members of the board may be removed
17 by the governor as provided in W.S. 9-1-202.

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19 **21-17-201. Composition; appointment and**
20 **qualifications of members generally; members ex officio;**
21 **quorum.**

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23 The government of the university is vested in a board of
24 twelve (12) trustees appointed by the governor, no two (2)

1 of whom may be residents of the same county of the state.
2 At least one (1) trustee shall be appointed from each
3 appointment district pursuant to W.S. 9-1-218. Not more
4 than seven (7) members of the board shall be registered in
5 the same political party. The governor, the president of
6 the university, the director of the Wyoming community
7 college commission, the state superintendent of public
8 instruction, the director of the department of education
9 and the president of the associated students of the
10 university are members ex officio, having the right to
11 speak, but not to vote. A majority of the board is a
12 quorum.

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14 **21-18-202. Powers and duties of the commission.**

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16 (c) The commission shall perform the following
17 administrative functions:

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19 (v) Appoint a director who shall perform duties
20 as prescribed by the commission. In addition to duties
21 assigned under this act, the director shall serve as an ex
22 officio member of the University of Wyoming board of
23 trustees and the state board of education. The director
24 shall receive an annual salary as determined by the

1 commission and approved by the governor. The director shall
2 hire staff as required to carry out this act and as
3 approved by the commission. Subject to legislative budget
4 authorization staff salaries shall be established by the
5 director with the approval of the commission;

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7 **Section 2.** W.S. 21-17-201, as amended by 2013 Wyoming
8 Session Laws, Chapter 42, Section 1 is amended to read:

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10 **21-17-201. Composition; appointment and**
11 **qualifications of members generally; members ex officio;**
12 **quorum.**

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14 The government of the university is vested in a board of
15 thirteen (13) trustees appointed by the governor, no two
16 (2) of whom may be residents of the same county of the
17 state. No more than two (2) appointed trustees shall be
18 residents of a state other than Wyoming. Any person
19 appointed as trustee who is not a resident of Wyoming shall
20 possess verifiable and demonstrable interest in and past
21 interactions with the university which are reflective of
22 commitment to the educational mission of the university. At
23 least one (1) trustee shall be appointed from each
24 appointment district pursuant to W.S. 9-1-218. Not more

1 than seven (7) members of the board shall be registered in
2 the same political party. The governor, the president of
3 the university, the director of the Wyoming community
4 college commission, the state superintendent of public
5 instruction, the director of the department of education
6 and the president of the associated students of the
7 university are members ex officio, having the right to
8 speak, but not to vote. A majority of the board is a
9 quorum.

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11 **Section 3.**

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13 (a) Section 1 of this act is effective July 1, 2014.

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15 (b) Section 2 of this act is effective only if 2013
16 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 42 becomes effective as
17 provided in that act.

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