SENATE FILE NO. SF0103

At-will employment contracts.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Ross, Bebout and Nicholas, P.

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to administration of government; providing

2 for the creation of at-will employment contract positions

3 by the legislature and the governor; requiring legislative

4 approval for continuance of an at-will employment contract

5 position created by the governor as specified; requiring

6 legislative approval prior to the reauthorization of a

7 denied at-will employment position; and providing for an

8 effective date.

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

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Section 1. W.S. 9-2-1012 by creating a new subsection

13 (h) and 9-2-1022 (a) (xi) (F) (V) and by creating a new

14 subdivision (VI) are amended to read:

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1 9-2-1012. Duties of budget division; transmittal of standard budget and manual; return of completed exception 2 3 and expanded budgets; submission to governor; disposition 4 of excess general fund appropriations; submission of selected budget information to joint appropriations interim 5 6 committee. 7 8 (h) If the governor exercises his authority provided 9 by W.S. 9-2-1022(a)(xi)(F)(VI) to create an at-will 10 employment contract position, the governor shall seek 11 continued authorization for that position by a budget 12 request in the next session of the legislature. If 13 authorization for the at-will employee contract position is 14 not specifically approved in the general appropriations bill, the position shall terminate and shall not be 15 16 reauthorized in the future without prior legislative 17 approval. 18 19 9-2-1022. Duties of department performed through 20 human resources division. 21 22 (a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, the 23 department through the human resources division shall:

1 2 (xi) Promulgate reasonable rules: 3 4 (F) Necessary to administer a program whereby at-will contract employees may be utilized by 5 agencies to meet programmatic needs. These rules shall be 6 structured so that: 7 8 9 (V) An at-will contract shall be for a 10 term not exceeding twenty-four (24) months subject to 11 renewal of the contract at the end of the contract period 12 and W.S. 9-2-1012(h). 13 14 (VI) No at-will employee contract 15 position shall be created unless specifically authorized by 16 legislation or approved by the governor. Any position 17 approved by the governor shall be reported to the joint 18 appropriations committee as provided by W.S. 9-2-1005(b). 19 Continued authorization of any at-will employee contract 20 position created by the governor shall be subject to 21 legislative review and approval pursuant to W.S.

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22 <u>9-2-1012 (h)</u>.

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Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2016.

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