

# Wyoming Liberty Index

62<sup>nd</sup> Wyoming Legislature ★ 2014 Budget Session

## **HB0043, Children in need of supervision-age.**

Sponsors: Representative(s) Gingery

Aye votes: Representatives Baker, Barlow, Berger, Blake, Blevins, Blikre, Brown, Burkhart, Campbell, Cannady, Coleman, Connolly, Davison, Eklund, Esquibel, K., Filer, Freeman, Gay, Gingery, Goggles, Greear, Greene, Halverson, Harshman, Harvey, Hunt, Hutchings, Jaggi, Kasperik, Kirkbride, Kroeker, Krone, Larsen, Lockhart, Loucks, Lubnau, Madden, Mader, McKim, Miller, Moniz, Nicholas, B., Northrup, Patton, Paxton, Petroff, Piiparinen, Reeder, Semlek, Sommers, Stubson, Teeters, Throne, Walters, Watt, Wilson, Winters, Zwonitzer, Dn. and Zwonitzer, Dv. Senators Anderson, JD S02, Anderson, JL S28, Barnard, Bebout, Burns, Case, Coe, Cooper, Craft, Dockstader, Driskill, Emerich, Esquibel, F., Geis, Hastert, Hicks, Hines, Johnson, Landen, Nicholas, P., Nutting, Perkins, Peterson, Ross, Rothfuss, Schiffer, Scott and Von Flatern

Nay votes: Representatives Byrd Senators Meier

Signed by the Governor.

### **Comments**

Raises the age from 17 to 18 of the statutory category "children in need of supervision", bringing more young people into the ambit of the state. We have too much of the state running peoples' lives now.

N: No significant fiscal or personnel impact. Expands the definition of "child in need of supervision" to include children up to the age of 18. Since the age of majority is defined as 18, this bill is closing a loophole that some children could fall thru. This does constitute an expansion of government authority, but does it in a manner that addresses a deficiency in the current system. The current system may or may not be broken from a liberty viewpoint, but this bill should, most likely, be considered a reasonable patch on a system that should be examined as a whole.

Weighted Rating: -0.50. Unweighted Rating: -0.50.

### **Categories**

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