

Wyoming Liberty Index

62nd Wyoming Legislature ★ 2014 Budget Session

HB0096, Professional assistance programs.

Sponsors: Representative(s) Stubson, Greene, Kasperik and Throne and Senator(s) Perkins

Aye votes: Representatives Baker, Berger, Blake, Blevins, Blikre, Brown, Burkhart, Byrd, 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, 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, Meier, Nicholas, P., Nutting, Perkins, Peterson, Ross, Rothfuss, Schiffer, Scott and Von Flatern

Nay votes: Representatives Barlow and Semlek

Signed by the Governor.

Comments

Broadens the terms under which the records of a professional under treatment may be released to the regulatory agency regulating that professional. Beware the use of licensing for politically correct "mental health" control. That concern plus the privacy issues make me dubious of the value of this bill.

N: No fiscal or personnel impact. Expands the scope of "professional assistance programs" and the access of licensing boards to the results thereof. Where professional licensing is genuinely appropriate and not just a means of limiting access to the profession, this is not unreasonable. Unfortunately, much, if not most, licensing is for protection of the profession and not for protection of the People. Definitely a mixed bag so we'll have to call this liberty neutral.

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

Categories

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