

Wyoming Liberty Index

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HB0134, Death penalty repeal.

Sponsors: Representative(s) Watt

Comments

Yes, let's get rid of the death penalty. It is very expensive, even compared to life imprisonment, and does not deter crime because it is so capriciously imposed. Also, how do you say "sorry" to someone who has been executed?

U: The fiscal impact is indeterminable due to an unknown number of cases. If we were to know beyond a shadow of a doubt that the judicial system is infallible, this would be Liberty neutral. However, since we do know that justice does miscarry, this bill is Liberty enhancing since it allows persons unjustly convicted to retain their life and with it the potential for reclamation of their Liberty.

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