

Wyoming Liberty Index

62nd Wyoming Legislature ★ 2014 Budget Session

SF0025, Election code-revisions.

Sponsors: Joint Corporations, Elections and Political Subdivisions Interim Committee

Aye votes: Representatives Baker, Barlow, 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, 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, Christensen, 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

Signed by the Governor.

Comments

Nothing obviously either good or bad from the liberty point of view. Mostly tweaks to and modernization of the election code.

N: No significant fiscal or personnel impact. This bill clarifies and updates the Wyoming election code. The classification of email addresses as confidential, unlike mailing addresses, skews the system toward candidates and parties with deeper pockets since snailmail costs a lot more than email. This can have a chilling effect on the grassroots and cause centralization tendencies toward the interests of the wealthy. Governmental centralization is always inimical to Liberty so we'll knock this one down on the Liberty scale.

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

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