

# Wyoming Liberty Index

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

### **SF0091, Digital information privacy-task force.**

Sponsors: Senator(s) Rothfuss, Anderson, JD S02, Case, Coe, Landen and Schiffer and Representative(s) Byrd, Filer, Greear, Larsen, Sommers, Teeters, Throne and Wilson

Aye votes: Representatives Barlow, Berger, Blake, Blevins, Blikre, Brown, Byrd, Campbell, Cannady, Coleman, Connolly, Eklund, Esquibel, K., Filer, Freeman, Goggles, Greear, Greene, Hunt, Kasperik, Kirkbride, Krone, Larsen, Lockhart, Patton, Paxton, Petroff, Sommers, Stubson, Teeters, Throne, Wilson, Zwonitzer, Dn. and Zwonitzer, Dv. Senators Anderson, JD S02, Anderson, JL S28, Barnard, Burns, Case, Christensen, Coe, Cooper, Craft, Emerich, Esquibel, F., Geis, Hastert, Hicks, Hines, Johnson, Landen, Meier, Nicholas, P., Nutting, Peterson, Ross, Rothfuss, Scott and Von Flatern

Nay votes: Representatives Baker, Burkhart, Davison, Gay, Gingery, Halverson, Harshman, Harvey, Hutchings, Jaggi, Kroeker, Loucks, Lubnau, Madden, Mader, McKim, Miller, Moniz, Nicholas, B., Northrup, Piiparinen, Reeder, Semlek, Walters, Watt and Winters Senators Bebout, Dockstader, Driskill, Perkins and Schiffer

Signed by the Governor.

### **Comments**

Creates a task force on digital privacy, which is to study and recommend legislation on privacy related issues. About time! Let us see to it they come up with strong privacy recommendations.

A: This bill contains a total appropriation of \$30,000 from the GENERAL FUND to the Legislative Service Office and to the Governor's Office. Governmental centralization is always inimical to Liberty. This can be done in a number of ways, one of which is to acquire an imbalance of data since knowledge can be power. This bill creates a committee that may be an adequate response to this threat depending on the personality of the committee selected. This could turn out to be a sop to the People while government and industry race to acquire actionable personal data or a staunch defender of the People against oligarchic unitary government or corporatic unitary government.

Weighted Rating: 2.00. Unweighted Rating: 1.00.

### **Categories**

General Government, Individual Rights, Limited Government, Separation of Powers, Transparency, and Usurpation & Delegation of Power

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### **Document Status**

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