

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0136

Appointments to county commissioner vacancy.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Barbuto, Blake, Craft,
Freeman and Jaggi and Senator(s) Cooper,
Hastert and Martin

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to vacancies in office; requiring written
2 notice for county commissioner vacancies as specified; and
3 providing for an effective date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 18-3-524(a)(ii) is amended to read:

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9 **18-3-524. Appointments to fill vacancies; term.**

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11 (a) Within twenty (20) days after the office of any
12 county commissioner becomes vacant the remaining members of
13 the board shall declare a vacancy to exist and immediately
14 give notice of the vacancy in writing to the chairman of
15 the county central committee of the political party which
16 the member whose office is vacant represented at the time

1 of his election under W.S. 22-6-120(a)(vii), or at the time
2 of his appointment if not elected to office. The chairman
3 of the county central committee shall within twenty (20)
4 days after receipt of the notice call a meeting of the
5 county central committee. At the meeting the committee
6 shall select three (3) persons qualified to fill the
7 vacancy and transmit the names to the board of county
8 commissioners. The board of county commissioners shall fill
9 the vacancy within twenty (20) days after receiving the
10 list from the county central committee by appointing one
11 (1) of the persons whose names are submitted by the county
12 central committee:

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14 (ii) If the incumbent commissioner did not
15 represent any political party at the time of his election
16 or appointment, the board of county commissioners ~~may~~
17 ~~appoint any qualified person to fill the vacancy~~ shall
18 publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the county
19 notice that within fifteen (15) days after publication any
20 qualified person may make application directly to the
21 county commissioners for appointment to fill the vacancy.
22 Within twenty (20) days after the publication of the
23 vacancy in office the county commissioners shall fill the

1 vacancy by appointment of one (1) person qualified from
2 those submitting applications.

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4 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2011.

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