

SENATE FILE NO. SF0168

Legislature-electronic voting system.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Bouchard and Representative(s)
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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to legislative process; requiring the
2 installation of an electronic voting system; providing an
3 appropriation; and 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.**

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9 (a) Six hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$650,000.00)
10 is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative
11 service office. These funds shall be used only for the
12 purpose of providing electronic voting systems in the house
13 chambers and senate chambers at the Wyoming state capitol
14 building, which systems shall be operable at the time the
15 Wyoming legislature returns to the state capitol building

1 after its rehabilitation and restoration. The electronic
2 voting systems required by this act shall:

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4 (i) Include a device located at each
5 legislator's desk which allows each legislator to cast a
6 vote by electronic means and allows vote tabulation by
7 electronic means;

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9 (ii) Allow the display of votes cast on the
10 electronic voting systems in the chamber where each vote
11 was cast and on the legislature's website;

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13 (iii) Include security measures which, to the
14 greatest extent reasonably practical, assure that all votes
15 cast for a legislator were entered by that legislator and
16 not by any other person;

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18 (iv) Include the capacity to perform other
19 functions. This paragraph shall be applicable only if the
20 excess functionality authorized by this paragraph can be
21 provided without exceeding the appropriation provided by
22 this act;

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1 (v) Be developed in collaboration with the
2 legislative service office and shall integrate with the
3 software systems currently used by the Wyoming legislature.
4 The systems shall be designed and installed in coordination
5 with other low voltage work performed during the
6 rehabilitation and restoration of the Wyoming capitol
7 building.

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9 (b) The funds appropriated in subsection (a) of this
10 section shall not be transferred or expended for any
11 purpose other than for the planning, design, purchase and
12 installation of the electronic voting system required by
13 subsection (a) of this section. Notwithstanding W.S.
14 9-2-1008, 9-2-1012(e), 9-4-207(a) or any other provision of
15 law, the funds appropriated in subsection (a) of this
16 section shall not lapse or revert until rehabilitation and
17 restoration of the Wyoming state capitol building is
18 complete or on June 30, 2021, whichever date is earlier.
19 The amounts appropriated in subsection (a) of this section
20 are intended to provide a maximum amount for the electronic
21 voting system provided by this act and shall not be
22 construed to be an entitlement or guaranteed amount.

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1 **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon
2 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
3 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
4 Constitution.

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