

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0111

School safety and security.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Eklund, Hutchings and Semlek

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to school safety and security; allowing  
2 possession of firearms by school district employees on  
3 school property; providing rulemaking authority to school  
4 districts; making conforming amendments; and providing for  
5 an effective date.

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

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 21-3-132 is created to read:

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11 **21-3-132. Possession of firearms on school property.**

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13 (a) The board of trustees in each school district may  
14 adopt rules and regulations to allow the possession of  
15 firearms by employees possessing a valid concealed carry  
16 permit under W.S. 6-8-104(a)(ii) on or in any property or

1 facility owned or leased by the school district. Employees  
2 of a school district who hold a valid concealed carry  
3 permit issued by the state of Wyoming under W.S.  
4 6-8-104(a)(ii) may carry a concealed firearm on or into any  
5 facility of the school district, provided the employing  
6 school district has adopted rules and regulations that  
7 allow possession of firearms on school property and the  
8 employee has received approval by the board of trustees as  
9 required by this section.

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11 (b) For purposes of this section, "employee" means  
12 any person employed under contract with the board of  
13 trustees of a school district, including but not limited  
14 to, superintendents, assistant superintendents, principals,  
15 assistant principals, teachers, guidance counselors,  
16 librarians, teacher's aids, coaches, business managers,  
17 secretaries or administrative assistants, janitors, bus  
18 drivers, volunteers or other employees on contract with a  
19 school district.

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21 (c) The rules required by subsection (a) of this  
22 section shall at a minimum:

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1           (i) Establish an application and approval  
2 process for employees possessing a valid concealed carry  
3 permit under W.S. 6-8-104(a)(ii) to carry a firearm on  
4 school property;

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6           (ii) Require any person carrying a firearm  
7 pursuant to this section to maintain the firearm on his  
8 person at all times;

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10           (iii) Require the board of trustees to maintain  
11 a list of the location and names of all employees who  
12 receive permission to carry firearms from the district's  
13 board of trustees in accordance with this section.

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15           (d) The superintendent of the district shall notify  
16 the parents and guardians of students attending school in  
17 the district of the ability of employees to carry firearms  
18 and the rules and regulations governing possession.

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20           (e) The superintendent of the district shall notify  
21 all law enforcement agencies with jurisdiction over the  
22 area of the location and names of all employees who receive  
23 permission to carry firearms from the district's board of  
24 trustees.

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2 (f) Nothing in this section shall authorize school  
3 district personnel to carry a firearm, concealed or  
4 otherwise, on or into any facility or other school  
5 district property without the express approval of the board  
6 of trustees and notification of parties as required by this  
7 section.

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9 (g) Nothing in this section shall authorize a student  
10 of a school district to carry a firearm, concealed or  
11 otherwise, on or into any facility or a school district.

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13 **Section 2.** W.S. 6-8-104(t)(vi) and (ix) and 6-8-401(c)  
14 are amended to read:

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16 **6-8-104. Wearing or carrying concealed weapons;**  
17 **penalties; exceptions; permits.**

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19 (t) No person authorized to carry a concealed weapon  
20 pursuant to paragraphs (a)(ii) through (iv) of this section  
21 shall carry a concealed firearm into:

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1           (vi) Any school, college or professional  
2 athletic event not related to firearms, except as provided  
3 in W.S. 21-3-132;

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5           (ix) Any elementary or secondary school  
6 facility, except as provided in W.S. 21-3-132;

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8           **6-8-401. Firearm, weapon and ammunition regulation**  
9 **and prohibition by state.**

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11           (c) The sale, transfer, purchase, delivery, taxation,  
12 manufacture, ownership, transportation, storage, use and  
13 possession of firearms, weapons and ammunition shall be  
14 authorized, regulated and prohibited by the state, and  
15 regulation thereof is preempted by the state. Except as  
16 authorized by W.S. 15-1-103(a)(xviii) and 21-3-132, no  
17 city, town, county, political subdivision or any other  
18 entity shall authorize, regulate or prohibit the sale,  
19 transfer, purchase, delivery, taxation, manufacture,  
20 ownership, transportation, storage, use, carrying or  
21 possession of firearms, weapons, accessories, components or  
22 ammunition except as specifically provided by this chapter.  
23 This section shall not affect zoning or other ordinances  
24 which encompass firearms businesses along with other

1 businesses. Zoning and other ordinances which are designed  
2 for the purpose of restricting or prohibiting the sale,  
3 purchase, transfer or manufacture of firearms or ammunition  
4 as a method of regulating firearms or ammunition are in  
5 conflict with this section and are prohibited.

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7 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2014.

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