

CHAPTER 111

TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS-GROUNDS

Original House Bill No. 148

AN ACT relating to termination of the parent-child legal relationship; providing additional ground for termination; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 14-2-309(a)(iv) and by creating a new subsection (v) is amended to read:

14-2-309. Grounds for termination of parent-child legal relationship; clear and convincing evidence.

(a) The parent-child legal relationship may be terminated if any one (1) or more of the following facts is established by clear and convincing evidence:

(iv) The parent is incarcerated due to the conviction of a felony and a showing that the parent is unfit to have the custody and control of the child;-

(v) The child has been in foster care under the responsibility of the state of Wyoming for fifteen (15) of the most recent twenty-two (22) months, and a showing that the parent is unfit to have custody and control of the child.

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

Approved March 20, 1998.