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| 4 | ment and rulemaking authority; providing for penalties; |
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| 6 | Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming: |
| 7 | Section 1. W.S. 35-22-101 through 35-22-108 are cre- |
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- 2 35-22-101. Citation. This act may be cited as the
- 3 "Wyoming Clean Indoor Air Act".
- 4 35-22-102. Definitions.
- 5 (a) As used in this act:
- 6 (i) "Division" means the division of health
- 7 and medical services of the department of health and
- 8 social services;
- 9 (ii) "Public meeting" means any meeting open
- 10 to the public pursuant to W.S. 16-4-403;
- 11 (iii) "Public place" means any enclosed.
- 12 indoor area used by the general public or serving as a
- 13 place of work, including, but not limited to, retail
- 14 stores, offices and other commercial establishments, pub-
- 15 lic conveyances, educational facilities, hospitals, nurs-
- 16 ing homes, restaurants, auditoriums, arenas and meeting
- 17 rooms, but excluding private, enclosed offices occupied
- 18 exclusively by smokers even though such offices may be
- 19 visited by nonsmokers;
- 20 (iv) "Smoking" includes carrying a lighted
- 21 cigar, cigarette, pipe or any other lighted smoking equip-

- 1 ment;
- 2 (v) "This act" means W.S. 35-22-101 through
- 3 35-22-108.
- 4 35-22-103. Prohibitions; exceptions.
- 5 (a) No person shall smoke in a public place or at a
- 6 public meeting except in designated smoking areas. This
- 7 prohibition does not apply:
- 8 (i) In cases in which an entire room or hall
- 9 is used for a private social function and seating arrange-
- 10 ments are under the control of the sponsor of the function
- 11 and not of the proprietor or person in charge of the room
- 12 or hall;
- 13 (ii) To warehouses, garages and similar places
- 14 of work not usually frequented by the general public,
- except that the occupational health and safety commission,
- 16 in consultation with the division, shall establish rules
- 17 to restrict or prohibit smoking in those places of work
- 18 where the close proximity of workers or the inadequacy of
- 19 ventilation causes smoke pollution detrimental to the
- 20 health and comfort of nonsmoking employees;
- 21 (iii) To establishments in which malt or alco-

- 1 holic beverages are sold for consumption on the premises
- 2 under a license or permit other than a restaurant license;
- 3 (iv) Fully enclosed offices or rooms occupied
- 4 exclusively by smokers, even though the offices or room
- 5 may be visited by nonsmokers;
- 6 (v) Retail businesses primarily engaged in the
- 7 sale of tobacco or tobacco products;
- 8 (vi) Restaurants with a seating capacity of
- 9 thirty (30) or fewer persons;
- 10 (vii) Smoking areas designated in accordance
- 11 with this act.
- 12 35-22-104. Designation of smoking areas; limitation.
- 13 (a) Smoking areas shall be designated by persons in
- 14 charge of public places, except in places in which smoking
- is prohibited by law, ordinance, resolution or regulation.
- 16 (b) Where smoking areas are designated, existing
- 17 physical barriers and ventilation systems shall be used to
- 18 minimize any potential effect of smoke in adjacent
- 19 nonsmoking areas.
- 20 (c) No more than fifty percent (50%) of a public

- 1 place may be designated as a smoking area except that:
- 2 (i) Lobbies, hallways and other common areas
- 3 shall not be designated as smoking areas;
- 4 (ii) No public restroom shall be designated as
- 5 a smoking area.
- 6 35-22-105. Responsibilities of person in charge.
- 7 (a) The person in charge of a public place shall
- 8 make reasonable efforts to prevent smoking in the public
- 9 place by:
- 10 (i) Posting of appropriate signs;
- 11 (ii) Arranging seating to provide a smoke-free
- 12 area;
- 13 (iii) Asking smokers to refrain from smoking
- 14 upon request of any person suffering discomfort from the
- 15 smoke; or
- 16 (iv) Any other means which may be appropriate.
- 17 <u>35-22-106</u>. Department of health and social services;
- 18 waiver of provisions of this act.
- 19 (a) The division may promulgate reasonable rules and

- 1 regulations to implement the provisions of W.S. 35-22-104
- 2 and 35-22-105.
- 3 (b) The division, upon request, may waive the provi-
- 4 sions of this act, if it determines there are compelling
- 5 reasons to do so and that the waiver will not signifi-
- 6 cantly affect the health, comfort and environment of
- 7 nonsmokers.
- 8 <u>35-22-107</u>. Penalties. Any person who violates the
- 9 provisions of this act is guilty of a misdemeanor and sub-
- ject to a fine of not more than ten dollars (\$10.00).
- 11 <u>35-22-108</u>. Injunction. The division, a county or
- 12 municipal office of public health or any affected party
- may institute an action in any court with jurisdiction to
- enjoin repeated violations of W.S. 35-22-105.
- 15 Section 2. The purpose of this act is to protect the
- 16 public health, comfort and environment by prohibiting
- smoking in public places and at public meetings except in
- 18 designated smoking areas.
- 19 Section 3. This act is effective June 11, 1986.
- 20 (END)