



## WyoRINO

### Senate Vote Description 2019

- 1) HB 66 Lodging Tax.** This bill would have imposed a new statewide tax on sales of lodging services. It failed in the Senate with a vote of 7-19. We have assigned a plus to the nays because Wyomingites would have been subject to a 5% lodging tax and violates Wyoming Republican Party Platform #7 as it interferes in the free market system and causes an increase in state government growth and fiscal irresponsibility.
- 2) HB 106 Party Affiliation Change.** This bill would have revised provisions relating to political party affiliation and would require a switch from one major political party to another major political party at least 14 days prior to the primary election. It failed in the Senate with a vote of 11-14. We have assigned a plus to the ayes because this bill directly supports WRP Resolution: Government #10 and brings the original intent and integrity back to the political party primary process.
- 3) HB 251 Coal Export Terminal Litigation.** This bill would have authorized the state to commence a lawsuit for the denial of permits for the construction of coal export terminals. This bill passed both house and senate but was vetoed by the Governor. We have assigned a plus to the ayes because this bill directly supports WRP Resolution: Energy #3 and allows Wyoming to continue fighting for the right to ship Wyoming coal by rail to all ports.
- 4) HB 310 Wyoming's Tomorrow.** This bill would have provided for a study to create a grant program to make two years of education at Wyoming community college and the University of Wyoming as free as possible. It failed in the Senate by a vote of 8-21. We have assigned a plus to the nays because this bill is in violation of WRP Platform #7. There is no such thing as “free” education but rather robs Peter (Wyoming citizens) to pay Paul. Not only is this bill fiscally irresponsible by state government, it is socialist in its nature.
- 5) SF 128 Unborn Victims of Violence Act.** This bill would have provided for criminal offenses to be applied for harming an unborn child. It failed in the Senate by a vote of 11-18. We have assigned a plus to the ayes because this bill directly supports WRP Platform #1, which states that government’s purpose is to protect the right to life from the moment of conception.
- 6) SF 144 Medicaid Work Requirement.** This bill, known as the Medicaid and SNAP Eligibility Requirements, would have required able-bodied Medicaid recipients to comply with specified work or volunteer requirements as a condition of receiving eligible Medicaid assistance. It failed in the House by a vote of 20-39. We have assigned a plus to the ayes because this bill supports WRP Resolution: Health and Society, #4.
- 7) SF 146 Medicaid Expansion Study.** This bill would have required a study of the costs and benefits of expanding the Medicaid program. It failed in the House by a vote of 28-31. We have assigned a plus to the nay votes because this bill is in direction opposition to WRP Platform #13 and WRP Resolution: Crime & Law, #8 as the Medicaid program violates the U.S. Constitution’s few and defined powers.



**8) SJ 004 Convention of States.** This bill would have requested Congress to call a convention for proposing amendments to the United States Constitution. It failed in the Senate COW by a vote of 10-20. We have assigned a plus to the nays because this bill opposes WRP Resolution: Government, #7 as there is great danger in opening up the Constitution to sweeping changes.

**9) SF 160 Political Party Affiliation.** This bill would have revised provisions relating to political party affiliation changes by electors. It passed in the Senate by a vote of 10-20 but died in House committee. We have assigned a plus to the ayes because this bill directly supports WRP Resolution: Government #10 and brings party integrity back to the political party primary process.

**10) SF 75 Repeal Gun Free Zones.** This bill would have repealed gun free zones and provided for the lawful carrying of concealed weapons. It was defeated in the Senate by a vote of 8-20. We have assigned a plus to the ayes because this bill directly supports WRP Resolution: Crime #6 and supports the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.