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AN ACT relating to charter schools; authorizing charter schools as local education agencies to receive and apply for federal and state grants; modifying payment by school districts to charter schools as specified; repealing designation of charter school authorizers as the local education agency for charter schools; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 21-3-315 is created to read:

21-3-315. Authority to act as a local education agency.

- (a) Any charter school approved by a school district to operate under this article may act as a local education agency to apply for, receive and administer a grant through a grant program created by a federal or state statute or program. Any charter school approved by the Wyoming charter school authorizing board to operate under this article shall act as a local education agency to apply for, receive and administer a grant through a grant program created by a federal or state statute or program.
- (b) For charter schools authorized to operate as a local education agency under subsection (a) of this section:
- (i) The department of education shall treat the charter school as a local education agency and allow it to apply for all federal and state grant moneys for which it may be eliqible;

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- (ii) The charter school shall be responsible for identifying, evaluating and offering programs and services for students with disabilities, as identified under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1400 et seq., enrolled in the charter school.
- **Section 2.** W.S. 21-3-314 by creating a new subsection (g) is amended to read:
- 21-3-314. Students counted among district ADM; determination of charter school funding; charter schools designated as local education agency.
- (g) The school district in which a charter school is located and operates shall distribute the amount computed under this section to each charter school in the proportion and schedule of distribution required under W.S. 21-13-313(c) or in accordance with an alternative schedule or terms agreed to by the school district and charter school as incorporated in an agreement pursuant to W.S. 21-3-314(e).

Section 3. W.S. 21-3-302.1(a)(vi) is repealed.

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Section 4. This act is effective July 1, 2024.

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