

**RESOLUTION 2018-07**

**RESOLUTION TO GRANT PRELIMINARY APPROVAL FOR  
COUNTY EMPLOYER GROUP FOR WORKERS COMPENSATION  
WESTON COUNTY, WYOMING**

**WHEREAS**, Wyoming Statute 27-14-101 establishes a mandatory workers compensation system for all eligible employees, including county employees; and

**WHEREAS**, Wyoming Statute 27-14-109 authorizes counties to “establish a collective system to report payroll, pay premiums, process injury reports, manage claims and provide other services” for purposes of county employee workers compensation; and

**WHEREAS**, Wyoming Statute 18-3-522 authorizes counties to “cooperate with associations and organizations of other counties or county officials within or without this state for the furtherance of good government and the protection of county interests;” and

**WHEREAS**, Counties in Wyoming collectively employ thousands of Wyoming residents who, in their respective departments engage in substantially similar work; and

**WHEREAS**, Counties in Wyoming collectively pay over \$4 million annually in workers compensation premiums; and

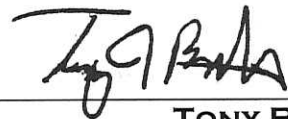
**WHEREAS**, Weston County desires to develop a collective system of employees for purposes of reducing premium costs and improving worker safety,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Weston County Board of Commissioners adopt the following preliminary approval of a collective workers compensation work plan developed by the Wyoming County Commissioners Association in consultation with county and state representatives, and directs the Wyoming County Commissioners Association and appropriate county staff to further develop a work plan that establishes the following:

- A governing board or guidelines for the appointment of a governing board
- Staffing requirements and estimates of costs for staffing
- Premium rate estimates and proposed targets for premium rebates
- Proposal for baseline safety program to establish minimum discounts
- Proposal for interaction between the counties, collective group, and state for claims management
- Proposal for the formal adoption of a collective account that includes a process for decision making on entry and exit, failure of individual counties to create/sustain safety programs, and other future decision making

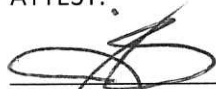
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that adoption of this preliminary approval does not obligate the Weston County Board of Commissioners to approve a final work plan, or to join the collective account.

**DATED** this 19<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018.



**TONY BARTON**  
CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:



**JILL SELLERS**  
WESTON COUNTY CLERK

