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(Wyo.)-Day At The State Legislature

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CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) - Events on the 28th day of 2013 General Session of the Wyoming Legislature: Thurs., Feb. 14:

FUEL TAX: The Wyoming Senate approved a bill that would hike the state fuel tax by 10 cents a gallon. The bill already has passed the House and now heads to Gov. Matt Mead for his consideration.

GUNS: The state Senate passed a bill that would ban deadly weapons in Wyoming courtrooms. The bill now goes back to the House to consider changes made to the bill by the Senate.

JUVENILE LIFE SENTENCES: Gov. Mead signed into law a bill that specifies that juveniles convicted of murder would be eligible for parole after serving 25 years in prison. The law would bring Wyoming into line with a recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling that prohibited mandatory life sentences for juvenile offenders.

TRESPASSERS: A bill that specifies property owners don't have any liability for physical harm that comes to trespassers who fail to exercise reasonable care passed its initial vote in the House.

HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS: The House for the second time voted to approve a bill that would designate assault of a health care provider as a specific crime.

RADIOACTIVE WASTE: Gov. Mead signed into law a bill that would authorize construction of a radioactive waste facility in the state if an associated nuclear facility were ever constructed in the state.

WIND POWER: Gov. Mead signed into law a bill that would continue the moratorium on allowing wind energy companies to use condemnation proceedings against landowners to install their collector lines.

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