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## Secretary of State Welcomes Legislators to Cheyenne, Announces Legislative Priorities

**Cheyenne, WY** – As the 67<sup>th</sup> Legislature convenes for the 2023 General Session this week, Secretary of State Chuck Gray welcomes all legislators to Cheyenne. “As a former member of the House of Representatives, I know firsthand the amount of work that will be required to craft the laws of the State of Wyoming,” Gray said. “I commend the members for their willingness to serve this legislative session, and look forward to collaborating with them in the coming months.”

In working with members of the Wyoming Legislature, Secretary Gray identified several key legislative areas of improvement to ensure Wyoming leads the nation in government accountability and election integrity, including proposed legislation which:

- Ends crossover voting and protects the integrity of the primary process;
- Increases security and clarification in Wyoming’s voter identification requirements;
- Bans ZuckBucks, private financing of government election offices;
- Bans ballot harvesting; and
- Maintains increased transparency in elections.

Secretary Gray also identified proposed legislation which he believes is not right for Wyoming. “Equally important to the legislative changes I would like to see the Wyoming Legislature pass, there are also efforts which I believe the Legislature should resist. I oppose any efforts to introduce ranked choice voting, a process which is inefficient, confusing, and antithetical to the traditional voting process Wyoming enjoys.”

“As our office continues to monitor and track legislation, I look forward to working with both chambers in the Legislature to ensure Wyoming moves in the right direction.”

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