ORIGINAL SENATE FILE NO. 0085

ENROLLED ACT NO. 38, SENATE

FIFTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2002 SPECIAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to employment and wage and benefit disparities; providing for a committee, a study and a report; providing an appropriation; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1.

(a) Up to eighty-one thousand dollars (\$81,000.00) is appropriated from the general fund to the Wyoming council for women's issues for the purpose of developing a committee to determine the parameters of a study and contract with the University of Wyoming to conduct a study on the disparity of wages and benefits between men and women in Wyoming. The University of Wyoming shall coordinate the study with the department of employment and various other state agencies as necessary. Not more than six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) shall be spent on the committee's per diem and mileage. As a result of the study, a report shall be presented by the committee to the joint minerals, business and economic development interim committee on or before May 1, 2003. The study shall focus on:

(i) Where disparities exist;

(ii) The major causes of the wage and benefit disparities;

(iii) The impact of wage and benefit disparities
on Wyoming's economy;

(iv) Possible solutions to reduce or eliminate wage and benefit disparities;

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(v) Benefits and costs of eliminating or reducing wage and benefit disparities.

(b) The committee shall consist of the chairman and vice-chairman of the Wyoming council for women's issues, one (1) member of the senate appointed by the president of the senate, one (1) member of the house appointed by the speaker, the administrator of the division of economic analysis, department of administration and information or his designee, a representative from the board of the Wyoming business council appointed by the elected vice chairman of the board, and a representative of labor appointed by the management council.

(c) The members of the committee who are not eligible for per diem and mileage from other sources shall receive per diem and mileage for attending board meetings in the same amount as state employees and shall receive no other compensation for serving on the committee. ORIGINAL SENATE FILE NO. 0085

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Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2002.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

Chief Clerk