STATE OF WYOMING

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0043

School capital construction.

Sponsored by: School Capital Construction Committee

A BILL

for

1	AN ACT relating to school capital construction;
2	establishing a school capital construction system in
3	response to the Supreme Court decision in State of Wyoming,
4	et al., v. Campbell County School District, et al., WY 19,
5	19 P.3d 518, (Wyo. 2001)(Campbell II), as specified;
6	establishing a state school facilities commission;
7	transferring specified programs; prescribing transitional
8	school building activities; providing appropriations; and
9	providing for effective dates.
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11	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:
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13	Section 1. W.S. 21-15-113 through 21-15-121 and
14	28-11-301 are created to read:
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21-15-113. School facilities commission; membership; 1 2 conflict of interest; terms; chairman; meetings; 3 compensation. 4 5 (a) The school facilities commission is established to consist of seven (7) members comprised of the state 6 7 superintendent of public instruction and six (6) members appointed by the governor, one (1) of whom shall be a 8 9 member of the state board of education. The remaining five 10 (5) appointed members shall have knowledge and experience in the following areas, with each appointment representing 11 12 one (1) specified area of expertise: 13 14 (i) Building and facility engineering, construction and operations; 15 16 17 (ii) Building design and specifications; 18 19 (iii) School facilities planning and management; 20 21 (iv) The state educational program for public 22 schools as required by law; 23

(v) Estimating, bidding and building
 construction.

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(b) Commission members appointed under subsection (a)
of this section shall not be an employee of any educational
association or organization. In addition, not more than one
(1) commission member shall be an employee of a school
district. Commission members shall be subject to W.S.
16-6-118 and shall not vote or otherwise participate in any
matter as prohibited under W.S. 16-6-118.

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12 (c) Gubernatorial appointments shall be subject to 13 senate approval and shall serve a term of four (4) years 14 beginning March 1. Not more than four (4) of the appointed 15 members shall be of the same political party. The governor 16 shall fill any vacancy on the commission in accordance with 17 W.S. 28-12-101, and may remove any commissioner as provided 18 by W.S. 9-1-202.

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(d) The governor shall designate a chairman from commission appointments, who shall hold office for the length of his term or until a successor is designated, whichever first occurs. The commission shall meet not less than quarterly and a majority of the voting membership 1 constitutes a quorum for the transaction of commission 2 business.

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4 (e) Appointed commissioners shall receive one hundred 5 twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) per day as salary for attendance at commission meetings and conducting official 6 7 commission business, and shall be reimbursed for travel and other expenses incurred in the performance of their 8 9 official duties in the same manner and amount as state 10 employees.

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12 21-15-114. Powers and duties; school facilities 13 office created; director.

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(a) The school facilities commission shall: 15

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17 (i) Adopt policies, guidelines and standards for the comprehensive assessment of school buildings and 18 facilities required under W.S. 21-15-115; 19

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21 (ii) Adopt policies, guidelines and standards 22 for school district facility plans required of each district under W.S. 21-15-116 and review and certify each 23 district's plan as required under this act; 24

1 2 (iii) Establish a consistent, systematic 3 research approach for student enrollment projections used 4 by districts in developing district facility plans and 5 forecasting building and facility needs to comply with statewide building adequacy standards; 6 7 (iv) Develop cost per square foot guidelines to 8 9 be used in estimating the cost of constructing, renovating 10 and otherwise remediating buildings and facilities to comply with statewide adequacy standards, which shall 11 12 account for demonstrated differences among regions and 13 communities within the state; 14 15 (v) Establish a statewide school facilities 16 database comprised of building and facility specific 17 condition, suitability, accessibility, capacity, inventory and site data; 18 19 20 (vi) Develop policies and criteria for use in 21 determining renovation, replacement or discontinuation of 22 inadequate buildings and facilities based upon statewide adequacy standards and other requirements necessary to 23

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ensure adequate, efficient and cost effective school
 buildings and facilities;

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4 (vii) Enter into construction or renovation 5 project agreements, as appropriate, with school districts to select professionals for a project, review and approve 6 project plans and specifications, review and 7 approve project changes and change orders, establish payment 8 schedules involving state funds and take 9 all other 10 necessary steps to ensure construction or renovation 11 project management and to review and approve the process 12 for approval of the completed project, with assurances that 13 the commission is not responsible nor liable for compliance with construction or renovation project schedules or 14 completion dates. All contracts entered into under the 15 16 agreement shall be signed by a representative of the 17 district and commission staff. Agreements entered into under this paragraph shall expire upon completion of the 18 19 project;

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(viii) Establish criteria and procedures for the identification of local enhancements to school buildings and facilities which are in excess of state building adequacy standards and develop criteria and procedures to

determine whether and how any local enhancements should be

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2 incorporated into the statewide adequacy standards;

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4 (ix) Prescribe a process for the determination 5 of surplus buildings and facilities and a process for the disposition or demolition of surplus buildings 6 and 7 facilities, including allocation of resulting costs and revenues. Disposition shall include options for use, lease, 8 9 sale and any other means of disposing of the surplus 10 building or facility. The costs and revenues incurred by 11 the disposition or demolition of the building or facility 12 shall be accounted for in each district's school facility 13 plan and considered in any building or facility remedy for that district. Any revenues considered pursuant to W.S. 14 21-13-310(a)(xiv) or (xv) shall not be counted under this 15 16 paragraph;

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18 (x) Establish a process under which prototypes 19 are developed for remedies addressing building and facility 20 inadequacies identified under this act through building and 21 facility replacement. Prototypes shall be assembled based 22 upon:

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2002 STATE OF WYOMING 02LSO-0159.E1 1 (A) Capacity requirements of the building 2 or facility and projected student populations to be 3 attending programs in the building or facility; 4 5 (B) Educational programs to be provided within the building or facility; 6 7 (C) Accommodations to the proposed site on 8 9 which the building or facility is to be constructed, 10 including specific site requirements and limitations. 11 12 (xi) Develop criteria and procedures for the 13 purchase and acquisition of sites and for the site analysis of remedies responding to identified building and facility 14 inadequacies by building and facility replacement. Site 15 16 analysis shall include a comprehensive review and 17 evaluation of site soil conditions, traffic patterns, utilities and site topography; 18 19 20 (xii) Promulgate necessary rules and regulations 21 to administer and implement this act. 22

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1 (b) The commission may contract with appropriate 2 expertise and professionals in administering this act and 3 performing duties imposed under this act.

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5 (c) The commission shall select and employ a director shall have demonstrated competency in facilities 6 who planning and construction. The director shall receive an 7 annual salary determined by the commission and may be 8 9 removed from office by the commission or the governor as 10 provided under W.S. 9-1-202(b). In addition to other powers 11 granted under this act, the director may hire necessary 12 staff as approved by legislative appropriation and shall 13 provide administrative support to the commission and carry 14 out this act under the direction of the commission.

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16 21-15-115. Statewide standards for school building 17 and facility adequacy; adequacy assessment.

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(a) The commission shall by rule and regulation establish and maintain uniform statewide standards for the adequacy of school buildings and facilities necessary for providing educational programs prescribed by law for the public schools. If a building owned by a district meets the applicable standards under this subsection for use by the

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district to educate students and was previously used for 1 2 the purpose of educating students, no municipal or county 3 zoning requirements shall be construed or applied so as to 4 prevent the district from using the building for the 5 purpose of educating students, or to require the district to make any modification to the building as a condition of 6 using the building for the purpose of educating students. 7 The uniform standards shall at minimum include: 8 9 10 (i) Requirements for educating students in a 11 safe environment including all applicable building, health, safety and environmental codes and standards required by 12 13 law for all public buildings; 14 15 (ii) Building site requirements; 16 17 (iii) Building performance standards and quidelines including energy efficiency criteria; 18 19 20 (iv) Assurances for special the needs of 21 identified student populations including children with 22 disabilities; 23

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2002 STATE OF WYOMING 02LSO-0159.E1 1 (v) Guidelines for adequacy and functionality of 2 educational space for required educational programs; 3 4 (vi) Building capacity criteria aligned to the 5 prescribed state educational program, with consideration given to utilization differences between school sizes; 6 7 (vii) Technological capacity criteria sufficient 8 9 required educational program needs and the to meet requirements imposed under the state education technology 10 11 plan; 12 13 (viii) Building and facility accessibility. 14 (b) In addition to subsection (a) of this section, 15 16 the commission shall maintain the comprehensive assessment 17 of the adequacy of existing school buildings and facilities and of future space requirements within the state, as 18 established and existing within the department of education 19 20 on July 1, 2002, and as updated thereafter until the date 21 of transfer to the commission. Maintenance of the 22 assessment shall include district reporting of new construction and major building and facility repair and 23 24 replacement activities for the previous year in accordance

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with guidelines prescribed by rule and regulation of the 1 2 commission, the results of commission on-site visitations and inspections of buildings and facilities and needs 3 4 assessment data and verification of building and facility 5 ratings through periodic review as specified in this act. The assessment shall be designed and maintained to provide 6 7 timely and uniform statewide data on all of the following: 8 9 (i) The condition of school buildings and 10 facilities, seismic ratings and structural integrity; 11 12 (ii) School building and facility longevity and 13 space requirements; 14 15 (iii) Student educational and safety 16 requirements; 17 18 (iv) The ability to accommodate educational 19 technology; 20 21 (V) Site requirements of school buildings and 22 facilities; 23

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1 (vi) Inventory of exterior and interior building 2 and facility space.

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4 (C) The commission shall not less than once every 5 four (4) years, review and evaluate the building and facility adequacy standards established under subsection 6 7 (a) of this section and the assessment of building and facility adequacy conducted under subsection (b) of this 8 9 section. Review and evaluation of the standards shall include the identification of local enhancements 10 to 11 buildings and facilities during this review and evaluation 12 period, and based upon criteria and procedures developed by 13 the commission, a determination as to whether and how any 14 local enhancements should be incorporated into the 15 statewide standards. Findings and recommendations pursuant 16 to this subsection shall be reported to the select 17 committee on school facilities before the next convening date of the legislative session immediately following 18 19 completion of the review and evaluation, and shall expand the 20 specifically address any need to needs 21 assessment or to conduct a reassessment of building and 22 facility adequacy.

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The commission shall not hinder or curtail the 1 (d) right of a school district to undertake local enhancements 2 3 to buildings and facilities which are in excess of state 4 building adequacy standards, as permitted by law. 5 School district facility plans; 6 21-15-116. filing 7 with commission; commission review; judicial review. 8 9 (a) Each school district shall, in accordance with 10 rules and regulations of the commission, and with the 11 assistance of professional facility planning expertise and 12 a representative of the commission, develop long range 13 comprehensive school building and facility plans for the district which address district wide building and facility 14 15 needs over a five (5) year period. The plan shall be in a form and format specified by rule and regulation of the 16 17 commission and shall identify building and facility needs in accordance with the statewide adequacy standards, 18 actions to remediate building and facility inadequacies 19 20 including construction, renovation and major building and 21 facility repair and replacement expenditures, and any local 22 enhancements to buildings and facilities beyond statewide adequacy standards. The plans shall include a response to 23 24 each building and facility inadequacy identified by the

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1 needs assessment on a building-by-building, space-by-space 2 basis. The plan shall also review and to the extent 3 practical, identify nonconstruction alternatives to 4 building and facility inadequacies such as building 5 closure, modification of school boundaries, modification of grade configurations and 6 school similar approaches. Demolition or use, lease or other methods of disposition of 7 commission determined surplus buildings and facilities 8 9 shall be incorporated as part of the district plan, including identified alternative methods of building 10 11 disposition and proposed allocation of costs incurred or 12 revenues resulting from disposition or demolition. In 13 addition, district facility plans shall include:

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(i) Student enrollment projections for the next 15 five (5) years using commission approved measures and 16 17 techniques, including a description of the methods used in making projections; 18

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20 (ii) A description of proposed new schools or 21 additions and remediations to existing schools necessary to 22 meet building adequacy standards, including:

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(A) The grade levels and the total number 1 2 of pupils that the proposed school or school addition or remediation is intended to serve; 3 4 5 (B) The year in which it is necessary to commence operations of the proposed new school or school 6 7 addition; 8 (C) The timeline for the planning and 9 10 construction of the new school or school addition or 11 remediation. 12 13 (iii) Projections for new land required for new schools including land purchase, acquisition and site 14 analysis; 15 16 17 (iv) Appropriate cost estimates; 18 19 (v) Other information required by the commission 20 to evaluate the district's plan. 21 22 (b) In accordance with a schedule established by the 23 commission but not later than July 1, 2003, district facility plans required under this section shall be 24 16 HB0043

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1 submitted to the commission. Districts shall update 2 facility plans by July 1 of each year thereafter except 3 during any year in which a comprehensive plan review and 4 redevelopment is completed as provided under subsection (c) 5 of this section. Plans and plan updates shall be in a form and subject to quidelines prescribed by commission rule and 6 7 regulation.

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9 In addition to subsection (b) of this section, (C) 10 the commission shall require each district to provide for a 11 comprehensive review and redevelopment of the district 12 facility plan. The review shall be conducted every five (5) 13 years or on a schedule otherwise established for the 14 district by the commission. The commission shall subject to legislative appropriation, provide payment to districts 15 16 from the school capital construction account for necessary 17 expenditures incurred by each district in developing and reviewing district facility plans and otherwise complying 18 with this section. 19

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(d) Upon receipt, the commission shall review each submitted district facility plan. Commission review shall ensure the plan:

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1	(i) Complies with state adequacy standards;
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3	(ii) Reduces building and facility inadequacies
4	in the most efficient and cost effective manner;
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6	(iii) Considers nonconstruction alternatives;
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8	(iv) Provides facilities capable of supporting
9	the provision of the statewide educational program required
10	by law of public schools.
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12	(e) Within sixty (60) but not more than ninety (90)
13	days after receipt of a district facility plan, and based
14	upon its review pursuant to subsection (d) of this section,
15	the commission shall approve, modify or reject the plan and
16	notify the district of its action. The commission may
17	modify proposed remedies or projects to best reflect
18	commission priorities established under W.S. 21-15-117. If
19	a plan is modified, the commission shall provide the
20	district opportunity for hearing before the commission on
21	the plan modification. If a plan is rejected, notice of the
22	plan rejection shall include reasons for rejection and
23	recommendations for making the plan acceptable. Upon plan
24	rejection, a district may resubmit a modified facilities

1 plan within sixty (60) days after receipt of notice under 2 this subsection. The commission shall for any district 3 failing to resubmit a modified facilities plan or if a 4 resubmitted district plan is not acceptable, modify the 5 district plan in accordance with its review under subsection (d) of this section and use this plan in 6 addressing building and facility needs for the district in 7 accordance with this act. A decision by the commission 8 9 under this subsection is a final administrative determination subject to judicial review under the Wyoming 10 11 Administrative Procedure Act.

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13 21-15-117. Annual evaluation of school buildings and 14 facilities; remediation schedule; needs prioritization; 15 combining facilities.

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17 (a) Through the identification of school building and facility conditions and needs provided by the assessment 18 conducted and maintained under W.S. 21-15-115, and a 19 20 comparison of the identified conditions and needs with the 21 established statewide building adequacy standards and the 22 district facility plans submitted under W.S. 21-15-116, the commission shall annually evaluate the adequacy of school 23 24 buildings and facilities within local school districts, and

based upon this evaluation, establish a schedule for building and facility remediation. Remediation shall bring all buildings and facilities to conditions such that over time, only routine maintenance is required to maintain building adequacy. The schedule shall identify and prioritize building and facility remedies on a statewide basis, based upon the following:

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9 (i) Criteria for building capacity, building 10 condition, educational suitability and technology readiness 11 established by commission rule and regulation, reviewed 12 annually, based upon assessment results and findings, 13 broken down by educational and noneducational building 14 category;

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16 (ii) Measures of building condition, educational 17 suitability and technology readiness, including computed 18 building capacity, as established by the commission, which 19 over time, bring statewide school buildings and facilities 20 to targeted minimum levels prescribed by the commission; 21

(iii) Analysis of student enrollment changes, as
based upon commission approved enrollment projection
methodology, to determine the need for changes in building

1 capacities over time for compliance with statewide adequacy 2 standards. Analysis under this paragraph shall prioritize 3 remediation for those buildings requiring additional space 4 to comply with statewide adequacy standards within the next 5 two (2) years for elementary schools, and within the next three (3) years for middle and high schools; 6 7 (iv) Priority shall be given to educational 8 9 buildings and to conditions in those buildings which impede 10 delivery of the prescribed statewide educational the 11 program; 12 13 (v) A methodology and process for identifying 14 the most critical building and facility needs. 15 16 commission shall for each building (b) The and 17 facility remedy scheduled under subsection (a) of this section, determine the most cost effective method of 18 remediation of building and facility inadequacies to ensure 19 20 compliance with the statewide adequacy standards. For any 21 scheduled remedy for which major building and facility 22 repair and replacement payments under W.S. 21-15-109 are not sufficient to remedy the scheduled need, as determined 23 by the commission, the commission shall determine if the 24

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1 remedy requires minor capital outlay or major capital 2 outlay in accordance with the following:

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4 (i) "Minor capital outlay" involves a total 5 project or remedy expenditure of less than two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00), excluding major building 6 7 and facility repair and replacement expenditures under W.S. 21-15-109; 8

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10 (ii) "Major capital outlay" involves a total project or remedy expenditure of two hundred thousand 11 12 dollars (\$200,000.00) or more, excluding major building and 13 facility repair and replacement expenditures under W.S. 21-15-109. 14

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16 (c) In determining the most cost effective method in 17 meeting capital construction needs, the commission may recommend consolidating educational facilities within, 18 between or among school districts. The legislature shall 19 20 approve any consolidation of educational facilities between 21 two (2) or more school districts.

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21-15-118. Building and facility construction and 23 24 renovation projects.

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1 2 (a) Upon determination by the commission following review under W.S. 21-15-117, and appropriation by the 3 4 legislature in accordance with W.S. 21-15-119, the 5 commission shall proceed with projects authorized and approved by the legislature as follows: 6 7 (i) If a minor capital outlay remedy, initiate 8 9 directly or in cooperation with a school district, 10 necessary action to complete the remedy; or 11 12 (ii) If a major capital outlay remedy: 13 (A) With the assistance of the involved 14 school district, develop the necessary schematic design 15 16 documents; 17 18 (B) Conduct a value engineering analysis of 19 the project; 20 21 (C) Perform an energy efficiency assessment 22 of the project; 23

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1 (D) Conduct a safety and security 2 assessment of the project; 3 4 (E) Waive any of the requirements under 5 subparagraphs (a) (ii) (B) through (D) of this section if determined not necessary or if provided within any one (1) 6 7 of the other requirements specified under this paragraph. 8 required, the commission shall 9 (b) If provide 10 temporary space for any scheduled building remedy by means 11 of portable buildings creating capacity or by other means 12 available to the commission. 13 14 (c) The projects shall be managed and all necessary contracts related to the projects shall proceed in 15 16 accordance with commission rules and regulations 17 promulgated and adopted pursuant to W.S. 21-15-114(a)(xii). 18 19 21-15-119. Commission budget and funding 20 recommendations. 21 22 (a) Notwithstanding W.S. 9-2-1012, the commission shall annually, not later than November 1, and after review 23 by and in conjunction with the select committee on school 24 24

1 facilities, prepare and submit a recommended budget for 2 projects and school capital construction financing to the 3 governor, through the budget division of the department of administration and information. The recommended budget 4 5 submitted by the commission shall include: 6 The amount of funding for all projects 7 (i) determined under W.S. 21-15-118 and proposed for that 8 9 budget period, together with estimated expenditures for 10 major building and facility repair and replacement program 11 payments under W.S. 21-15-109 for the same budget period; 12 13 (ii) Financing alternatives for funding the 14 recommended budget, which uses any combination of the following financing alternatives: 15 16 17 (A) Direct payment from the school capital 18 construction account; 19 20 (B) Proceeds from state revenue bonds 21 issued under W.S. 21-15-108; 22 23 (C) Capital leasing under W.S. 21-15-112. 24 Any payments for capital leasing shall be made from the 25

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school capital construction account subject to W.S.
 21-15-112. For the purpose of this section, capital leasing
 includes payments sufficient for the exercise of a purchase
 option under the lease.

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(iii) In odd-numbered years, the commission's 6 7 recommendation on November 1 shall be for expenditures the two (2) succeeding fiscal 8 during years. The 9 recommendation for the second year shall be based on 10 estimates of expenditures and payments. In even-numbered 11 years, the commission's recommendation on November 1 shall 12 be for expenditures during the succeeding fiscal year. As 13 it determines to be necessary in any year, the commission's recommendation on November 1 may contain a recommendation 14 for revised expenditures during the current fiscal year. 15

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(b) The commission may enter into agreements under which the commission may make payments on behalf of a school district with respect to the district's lease of school facilities under W.S. 21-15-112. The commission may also enter into any agreement with a nonprofit corporation or other entity necessary to ensure that a district can lease facilities under W.S. 21-15-112.

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21-15-120. Emergency 1 contingency account; 2 expenditures restricted.

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4 (a) The commission shall promulgate rules under which 5 an emergency shall be determined to exist with respect to the adequacy of the school buildings and facilities of any 6 school district such that the ability of the district to 7 provide educational programs required by law is immediately 8 9 and substantially impacted and no reasonable alternative 10 exists to address it other than emergency funding under 11 this section.

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13 Upon a finding that an emergency exists under (b) subsection (a) of this section, the commission shall in 14 accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the 15 commission under this subsection, make expenditures from 16 17 the emergency contingency account within the school capital construction account for emergency funding. Expenditures 18 from the contingency account pursuant to this subsection 19 20 shall be limited to the acquisition or use of facilities, 21 the acquisition of equipment, facility repairs, additional 22 operating expenses incurred in providing temporary measures 23 and other responses to the emergency situation including 24 necessary investigative and qualified contract assistance

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1 expenses incurred by the commission, to enable the district 2 to provide educational programs required by law on a 3 temporary basis until permanent action can be taken to 4 address building adequacy. 5 21-15-121. Annual school building status report to 6 select committee on school facilities. 7 8 9 Not later than December 31 of each year, the (a) 10 commission shall submit a report to the select committee on 11 school facilities on progress being made under the school 12 capital facilities system established under law. The report 13 shall list: 14 15 (i) Buildings and facilities identified as inadequate under this act for the preceding year; 16 17 (ii) Building and facility needs addressed under 18 this act or otherwise by districts during that same year 19 20 including any building or facility which is closed or 21 otherwise removed from operation during that year; 22 (iii) Any use of major building and facility 23 24 repair and replacement funds which have addressed buildings 28

1 and facilities identified as inadequate for that year, 2 including the impact of expenditures of these funds, as 3 quantified pursuant to the statewide needs assessment 4 rating scores undertaken in accordance with W.S. 21-15-115, 5 on the capacity, condition, educational suitability and technology readiness of inadequate buildings 6 and 7 facilities; 8 9 (iv) Amounts of funds expended to address these building and facility needs; 10 11 12 (v) The impact of expenditures on the building 13 and facility scores for condition, educational suitability 14 and technology readiness, including computed building 15 capacity; 16 17 (vi) Additional buildings and facilities identified as inadequate under this section for the current 18 year and a comparison of these current year identified 19 20 needs with the needs addressed during the preceding year; 21 22 (vii) A cross referencing of additional building and facilities identified as inadequate under paragraph 23 24 (a) (vi) of this section and district responses to the

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2002 STATE OF WYOMING 02LSO-0159.E1 1 inadequacies as provided with the district facility plans 2 submitted under W.S. 21-15-116; 3 4 (viii) Any expenditures for emergency funding 5 under W.S. 21-15-120. 6 7 ARTICLE 3 SELECT COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FACILITIES 8 9 28-11-301. Appointment of members; powers and duties; 10 related duties of school facilities commission. 11 12 13 (a) Not later than March 15 following each general session, the president of the senate shall appoint five (5) 14 members of the senate and the speaker of the house shall 15 appoint five (5) members of the house to a select committee 16 17 on school facilities. Not more than three (3) members from 18 each house shall be from the same political party. 19 20 (b) The select committee shall: 21 22 (i) Select from among its members a chairman and vice-chairman; 23 24

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(ii) Monitor the assessment of statewide school 1 2 facility needs, prioritization of these needs and 3 remediation of identified needs, as undertaken by the 4 school facilities commission pursuant to law; 5 (iii) Develop knowledge and expertise among its 6 members regarding issues pertaining to school facilities 7 and commission programs and procedures to maintain 8 9 statewide facility adequacy; 10 11 (iv) Review commission proposals addressing 12 statewide building and facility needs and provide 13 recommendations to the joint appropriations committee and the legislature including any necessary implementing 14 legislation. 15 16 (c) The school facilities commission shall: 17 18 19 (i) Provide the select committee with notice of 20 all commission meetings; 21 22 (ii) Provide the committee with commission reports and studies pertaining to school building and 23 facility remediation projects; 24

2 (iii) Provide information to the select 3 committee upon request to assist the select committee in 4 monitoring progress under paragraph (b)(ii) of this 5 section.

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7 Section 2. W.S. 9-2-1013(d)(i), 9-2-1704(d) by creating a new paragraph (xv), 21-3-110(a)(x) and by 8 9 creating a new paragraph (xxiv), 21-3-111(a) by creating a 10 new paragraph (xx), 21-15-108(b), (c), (d)(iii), (vii), 11 (e), (f)(intro) and (g), 21-15-109(a)(intro), (b), (c) (intro), (i), (iii), (v), (d) (intro), (i), (iv) (B) and 12 13 (e), 21-15-111(a) and 21-15-112(a)(intro) are amended to 14 read:

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9-2-1013. State budget; distribution of copies to 16 17 legislators; copies and reports of authorizations.

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(d) In addition to the items contained in subsection 19 20 (a) of this section and notwithstanding any other 21 recommendations made by the governor, the state budget 22 shall also include the governor's recommendations for appropriations for the ensuing two (2) years, or if a 23

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1 supplemental budget request, the remainder of the budget 2 period, subject to the following:

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4 (i) The state budget shall include the 5 governor's recommendations for a total appropriation from school foundation program account and based upon 6 the 7 recommendations of the school facilities commission under W.S. 21-15-119, a total appropriation for school capital 8 9 construction purposes for both fiscal years;

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9-2-1704. Reorganization plan; structure; time frame. 11 12

13 (d) The entities of state government specified in 14 this subsection are designated as separate operating agencies, which are separate and distinct from the 15 departments and offices specified in subsection (a) of this 16 17 section because of their quasi-judicial responsibility or because of their unique, specialized function which 18 precludes their inclusion in another department. This act 19 20 does not otherwise apply to separate operating agencies. 21 Separate operating agencies are as follows:

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23 (xv) School facilities commission established 24 under W.S. 21-15-113.

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2	21-3-110. Duties of boards of trustees.
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4	(a) The board of trustees in each school district
5	shall:
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7	(x) Subject to review by the school facilities
8	commission under W.S. 21-15-115, fix the site of each
9	schoolhouse school building and facility considering the
10	needs of the people of each portion of the district;
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12	(xxiv) Develop and annually update long range
13	comprehensive school building and facility plans for the
14	district addressing district-wide building and facility
15	needs over a five (5) year period in accordance with W.S.
16	21-15-116, and submit the plan to the school facilities
17	commission as required under W.S. 21-15-116 and by rule and
18	regulation of the commission.
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20	21-3-111. Powers of boards of trustees.
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22	(a) The board of trustees in each school district
23	within the state may:
	within the state may.

1 (xx) Enter into school building construction and 2 renovation project agreements with the school facilities 3 commission as authorized under W.S. 21-15-114(a)(vii). 4 21-15-108. Revenue 5 bonds for grants and loans; refunding revenue bonds. 6 7 8 (b) The state loan and investment board school 9 facilities commission may borrow money in a principal 10 amount not to exceed one hundred million dollars 11 (\$100,000,000.00) by the issuance from time to time of one (1) or more series of revenue bonds. The board commission 12 13 may encumber revenues under subsection (a) of this section 14 for bonds in total amounts not to exceed one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000.00) issued for state school 15 16 capital construction projects and assistance as determined 17 by the commission and approved by the legislature under W.S. 21-15-111 21-15-119. The state loan and investment 18 19 board may issue these bonds only to provide funding for 20 school capital construction projects in accordance with a 21 budget recommendation submitted by the state superintendent 22 under W.S. 21-15-111. Any bonds issued under this section, together with any interest accruing thereon and any prior 23 24 redemption premiums due in connection therewith, are

1 payable and collectible solely out of revenues authorized 2 under this section. The bondholders may not look to any 3 general or other fund for payment of the bonds except the 4 revenues pledged therefore. The bonds shall not constitute 5 indebtedness or a debt within the meaning of any an constitutional or statutory provision or limitation. The 6 bonds shall not be considered or held to be general 7 obligations of the state but shall constitute its special 8 9 obligations and the **board** commission shall not pledge the 10 state's full faith and credit for payment of the bonds.

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12 (c) Bonds issued under this section shall be in a 13 form, issued in a manner, at, above or below par at a 14 discount not exceeding ten percent (10%) of the principal amount of the bonds, at public or private sale, and issued 15 16 with recitals, terms, covenants, conditions and other 17 provisions not contrary to other applicable statutes, as may be provided by the **board** commission in a resolution 18 19 authorizing their issuance and in an indenture or other 20 appropriate proceedings.

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22 (d) Any bonds issued under this section shall:

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1 (iii) Mature at a time or serially at times in regular numerical order at annual or other designated 2 3 intervals in amounts designated and fixed by the board 4 commission, but not exceeding thirty (30) years from their 5 date;

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7 (vii) Be additionally secured by a reserve fund created from revenues deposited within the capital 8 9 construction account under W.S. 9-4-305(b) or from the 10 proceeds of the bonds, or both, in an amount determined by 11 the state loan and investment board commission but not to exceed an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the revenue 12 13 bonds outstanding.

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15 (e) Before any contract is entered into by the state loan and investment board commission to retain the services 16 17 of a financial advisor or to sell the bonds to an underwriter, whether by competitive or negotiated bid, a 18 full disclosure of the terms of the contract including fees 19 20 to be paid shall be submitted to the management council 21 through the legislative service office.

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The board commission may issue refunding revenue 23 (f) 24 bonds:

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2 (g) Any refunding permitted by this subsection shall 3 be accomplished in the manner prescribed by W.S. 16-5-101 4 through 16-5-119, except any refunding revenue bonds 5 authorized by the **board** commission under this subsection shall not constitute an indebtedness or a debt within the 6 meaning of any constitutional or statutory provision or 7 limitation or be considered general obligations of the 8 9 state. The **board** commission shall not pledge the state's 10 full faith and credit to the payment of the refunding 11 revenue bonds. The refunding revenue bonds shall constitute 12 special obligations of the state and may be payable only 13 from the sources authorized in this section for the payment 14 of the bonds refunded. The principal amount of any bonds which have been refunded need not be taken into account in 15 16 computing compliance with the maximum amounts of bonds 17 authorized to be issued under this section.

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19 21-15-109. Major building and facility repair and 20 replacement payments; computation; square footage 21 allowance; use of payment funds; accounting and reporting 22 requirements.

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24 (a) As used in this section act:

1 2 (b) On or before September 30 and March 31 of each 3 school year, the department of education school facilities 4 commission shall distribute major building and facility 5 repair and replacement payments to each school district from the capital construction account. Major building and 6 facility repair and replacement payments shall be computed 7 in accordance with subsection (c) of this section. 8 9 10 (c) To compute the major building and facility repair 11 and replacement payment for each district, the department 12 commission shall: 13 14 (i) Annually on or before September 1, and subject to subsection (d) of this section, determine the 15 total number of gross square feet of school buildings and 16 17 facilities within the district according to guidelines prescribed by rule and regulation of the state 18 superintendent commission. The gross square footage of any 19 20 school building or facility within the district which is 21 not used for district purposes shall not be included within 22 the district's total gross square footage computed under this section. In addition, no gross square footage created 23 24 by any district enhancement shall be included within the

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1 district's gross square footage computed under this section 2 unless the enhancement or any portion thereof is determined 3 to be included within the state adequacy standards pursuant 4 to this act;

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The total amount of gross square footage 6 (iii) 7 determined for educational buildings under subparagraph (c) (ii) (C) of this section shall be adjusted by excluding 8 9 from computations under this section the square footage for those educational buildings closed and not operational as 10 11 provided for under paragraph (c) (iv) of this section and 12 any amount including the gross square footage of portable 13 buildings, which exceeds two hundred percent (200%) of the 14 statewide minimum gross square footage criteria as 15 prescribed by the statewide building and facility adequacy 16 standards promulgated under W.S. 21-15-107(a) 21-15-115(a). 17 For purposes of this section, per student gross square footage criteria prescribed by the statewide building 18 19 adequacy standards shall be based upon an average daily 20 membership computed defined (ADM) as under W.S. 21 21-13-101(a)(i) for the prior school year, with the 22 district's kindergarten ADM divided by two (2);

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1 (v) Multiply the adjusted square footage amount 2 for each district's educational buildings determined under 3 paragraph (c)(iii) of this section, the allowable square 4 footage of the district's closed educational buildings determined under paragraph (c)(iv) of this section and the 5 amount determined under paragraph (c) (ii) of this section 6 for all remaining building categories of that district, 7 times a replacement value cost factor established for each 8 9 building category by the state superintendent commission. 10 For school facilities constructed on or before June 30, 11 1996, the replacement value cost factor shall be based upon 12 the median estimate in the most current edition of the R. 13 S. Means construction cost index, as modified to reflect 14 current Wyoming construction costs determined by the department of administration and information, division of 15 16 economic analysis. For school facilities constructed on or 17 after July 1, 1996, the replacement value cost factor shall be determined by the state superintendent commission on a 18 19 square footage basis using the school district's total 20 actual expenditures for materials and labor to construct 21 the facility. For the purposes of this section, school 22 facilities are deemed to be constructed on the date that work on the project is substantially complete and the 23

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1 facilities are suitable to be used for the purpose 2 intended;

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4 (d) In computing payments under subsection (c) of 5 this section for school year 1998-1999 only, the total gross square feet for school buildings and facilities 6 within the district excluding administration and support 7 buildings, shall not exceed the minimum gross square 8 9 footage criteria prescribed by the statewide building and 10 facility adequacy standards, except as provided in this 11 subsection. In annually computing the amount of gross 12 square footage under paragraph (c) (iii) of this section, 13 the amount of gross square footage in excess of two hundred percent (200%) of the statewide minimum gross square 14 footage criteria as prescribed under W.S. 21-15-107(a) 15 16 21-15-115(a) shall be subject to the following:

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(i) If the excess square footage remains open 18 and operational, the full amount of any such excess square 19 20 footage shall be included annually for three (3) 21 consecutive years. Thereafter, such excess shall not be 22 included under this subsection even if closed and not operational, unless the district shows and the state 23 superintendent commission finds that closing the excess 24

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1 square footage and using other facilities costs more than 2 continuing to operate the excess; 3 square footage of closed buildings 4 (iv) No 5 eliminated from computations in accordance with paragraph (c) (iv) of this section shall be included as excess under 6

7 this section unless:

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9 (B) The district demonstrates and the state superintendent commission finds that opening the building, 10 and thereby creating excess square footage, costs no more 11 12 than using other facilities.

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14 (e) Amounts distributed under subsection (b) of this section shall be deposited by the recipient district into a 15 16 separate account, the balance of which may accumulate from 17 year-to-year. Expenditures from the separate account, including any interest earnings on the account, shall be 18 restricted to expenses incurred for major building and 19 20 facility repair and replacement as defined in subsection 21 (a) of this section and as prescribed by rule and 22 regulation of the state superintendent commission, and 23 shall be in accordance with the district's facility plan 24 approved by the commission under W.S. 21-15-116. Any

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1 interest earned on the account is exempt from and shall not 2 be reported as a local district revenue under W.S. 3 21-13-310(a)(xi). Each district shall annually report to 4 the state superintendent commission on the expenditures 5 made from the separate account during the applicable reporting period, separating account expenditures on a 6 7 building-by-building basis. In addition, the annual report shall include the district's five (5) year plan for 8 9 addressing district major building and facility repair and 10 replacement needs, updated for the applicable reporting 11 period. The report shall be in a manner and form required 12 by rule and regulation of the state superintendent 13 commission. The state superintendent commission shall 14 annually review account expenditures and shall report expenditures to the state loan and investment board select 15 16 committee on school facilities established under W.S. 17 28-11-301. The state superintendent commission shall compile reported building-by-building expenditure 18 information for each district and the district five (5) 19 20 year plan and include this information in his annual report 21 to the legislature select committee pursuant to W.S. 22 21-15-107(j)21-15-121.

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24 21-15-111. Definitions.

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2	(a) As used in this act:
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4	(i) "Capital construction account" or " public
5	school capital construction account" means the account
6	within the earmarked revenue fund into which revenues are
7	deposited pursuant to W.S. $9-4-305(b)$ and $9-4-601(a)(vii)$,
8	(b)(i) and (iv), into which the proceeds from any revenue
9	bonds are credited under W.S. 21-15-108, and into which and
10	in addition to any other funds appropriated to the account
11	for purposes of this act. Funds within the account shall be
12	expended only for purposes of and in the manner prescribed
13	by this act;
13 14	by this act;
	by this act; (ii) "Commission" means the school facilities
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14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	<pre>(ii) "Commission" means the school facilities commission created by this act; (iii) "Local enhancements to school buildings and facilities" or "local enhancements" means any renovation, construction, replacement, repair or other improvement of or to any school building or facility</pre>

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2 (ii) (iv) "Capital construction" and "capital construction "Project" means replacement, renovation or new 3 construction projects which increase the value of the 4 5 school building or facility by improving the functioning of the building or facility or the capacity of the building or 6 facility, or both, excluding major building and facility 7 repair and replacement defined under W.S. 21-15-109(a)(iii) 8 9 and routine maintenance and repair defined under W.S. 21-15-109(a)(vi); 10 11 12 (v) "Remedy" or "remediation" means a course of 13 action addressing identified building and facility 14 inadequacies pursuant to this act consisting of building or facility construction, replacement, renovation, repair or 15 16 any combination thereof; 17 (iii) (vi) "School buildings and facilities" mean 18 19 the physical structures and the land upon which the 20 structures are situated, which are primarily used in

21 connection with or for the purpose of providing the

compliance with law, including both student-related and 23

educational programs offered by a school district in

24 nonstudent-related buildings and facilities;

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2	(iv) "School district building advisory
3	committee" means the committee organized by the school
4	district board of trustees as required by the statewide
5	adequacy standards established under W.S. 21-15-107(a), for
6	purposes of developing and planning district school
7	building and facility needs;
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9	(v)<u>(</u>vii) "This act" means W.S. 21-15-105 through
10	21-15-112 21-15-108, 21-15-109 and 21-15-111 through
11	<u>21-15-121</u> .
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13	21-15-112. Leasing of capital assets.
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15	(a) The state superintendent of public instruction,
16	solely for the purpose of ensuring adequate facilities are
17	available to school districts, and At the request of the
18	school facilities commission, any school district, may
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	shall lease any land, building, equipment or other capital
20	<u>shall</u> lease any land, building, equipment or other capital asset from the nonprofit corporation approved by the state
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	asset from the nonprofit corporation approved by the state
21	asset from the nonprofit corporation approved by the state building commission pursuant to 1997 Wyoming session laws,

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3. W.S. 21-2-202(a) (xvii)(C), 21-15-107,

2 21-15-108(d)(vi), 21-15-110 and 21-15-111(b) through (q) 3 are repealed. 4 5 **Section 4.** (Transition.) 6 The purpose of this section is to the extent 7 (a) practicable, provide a transition process from the capital 8 9 construction system in effect prior to the effective date 10 of this act, to the capital construction system established 11 under this act. 12 13 (b) 2002 budget recommendations of the state 14 superintendent of public instruction for school capital construction financing submitted under W.S. 21-15-111(m) on 15 or before November 1, 2001, shall be subject to independent 16 17 analysis and review required by the joint appropriations committee and subsequent recommendation to the 18 2003 19 legislature. To the extent determined necessary by the 20 committee and funded under this act, independent analysis 21 and review shall consist of recommendations for the 22 remediation of identified building and facility 23 inadequacies, project value engineering analysis, energy efficiency analysis and security review for each project 24

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identified in the state superintendent's budget.
 Recommendations of the joint appropriations committee shall
 to the extent practicable, be made in consultation with the
 school facilities commission established under this act.

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Statewide school construction needs established 6 (C) by the state superintendent of public instruction under 7 W.S. 21-15-107(e) and reported under W.S. 21-15-107(g) on 8 9 October 17, 2001, shall be subject to review and analysis by the school facilities commission in consultation with 10 11 the state superintendent. Review and analysis under this 12 subsection shall be based upon available information on the 13 identified building and facility inadequacies and to the extent possible, upon information developed by the state 14 superintendent on behalf of the commission and 15 in 16 cooperation with the school district in which the 17 inadequate building or facility is located. The state superintendent on behalf of the commission and 18 in consultation with the affected school districts, shall 19 20 develop a cost effective method of remediating identified 21 building and facility inadequacies. Any method of 22 remediation proposed under this subsection shall reduce the inadequacy in the most efficient and cost effective manner 23 24 by first exploring nonconstruction alternatives. In

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1 addition, remediation shall determine if major building and 2 facility repair and replacement payments are sufficient to 3 remedy the identified inadequacy and if not, shall then 4 consider minor capital outlay or major capital outlay 5 remedies as defined under W.S. 21-15-117(b) as created under section 1 of this act. The state superintendent shall 6 transfer the review and analysis of statewide construction 7 needs undertaken in accordance with this subsection to the 8 9 commission as soon as reasonably possible, and shall 10 continue to assist the commission with the development of 11 remediation proposals as necessary. In addition, the state superintendent shall periodically report progress on the 12 13 review and analysis conducted pursuant to this subsection 14 to the select committee on school facilities established under W.S. 28-11-301, as created by section 1 of this act. 15 16 On or before December 31, 2002, the commission shall report 17 remediation recommendations, together with necessary 18 funding, to the governor and the joint appropriations 19 committee. The governor on behalf of the commission may 20 contract with appropriate experts and professionals as 21 necessary to implement this subsection.

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state superintendent, on behalf 23 (d) The of the 24 commission, shall initiate the establishment of guidelines

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1 and criteria to be used by school districts for the 2 development of long range comprehensive school building and 3 facility plans pursuant to W.S. 21-15-116. In addition, 4 the state superintendent shall establish a mechanism and 5 criteria for the distribution of state assistance to districts for use in the development of district facility 6 plans in accordance with W.S. 21-15-116. As soon as 7 reasonably possible, the state superintendent 8 shall 9 transfer guidelines and criteria developed under this 10 subsection to the commission and shall continue to assist 11 the commission with district facility planning efforts as 12 necessary. Distribution of state assistance under this 13 subsection shall be made by the state superintendent on behalf of the commission until such time as the commission 14 15 is capable of carrying out this responsibility.

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The state superintendent of public instruction 17 (e) and the department of education shall cooperate with and 18 assist the commission in carrying out this section. The 19 20 superintendent shall also continue to state address 21 emergencies as defined under W.S. 21-15-120, as created 22 under section 1 of this act, and authorize expenditures 23 from the emergency contingency account, until such time as 24 transfer to the commission is feasible. In addition, the

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state superintendent shall ensure the affected school
 districts cooperate with and assist the commission as
 necessary to implement this section.

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5 (f) The comprehensive assessment of statewide school facilities maintained 6 buildings and by the state superintendent under W.S. 21-15-107(b) before the effective 7 date of this act, together with all official records and 8 9 other information related thereto and powers and duties 10 exercised thereunder, shall be transferred from the state 11 superintendent of public instruction to the school 12 facilities commission created by this act.

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(q) In addition to subsection (f) of this section, 14 all records and other information pertaining to the major 15 building and facility repair and replacement program 16 17 established under W.S. 21-15-109 and 21-15-110 prior to the effective date of this act, together with all powers and 18 duties related to the administration and operation of this 19 20 program, shall be transferred from the state superintendent 21 to the commission.

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23 (h) All rules and regulations promulgated by the 24 state superintendent pertaining to the needs assessment

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1 specified under subsection (f) of this section, the major 2 buildings and facilities repair and replacement program 3 specified under subsection (g) of this section and the 4 school capital construction system in effect prior to the 5 effective date of this act including statewide building adequacy standards, shall remain in effect unaltered as 6 7 rules and regulations of the commission until amended or repealed by the commission. 8

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10 (j) Any unencumbered and unexpended amount within the 11 emergency contingency account established under W.S. 12 21-15-111(q) as of July 1, 2002, shall be transferred to 13 the school capital construction account.

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15 **Section 5.** (Appropriations.)

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17 For purposes of the transition process specified (a) under section 4 of this act, the following amounts are 18 19 appropriated from the school capital construction account:

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21 (i) One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) 22 to the legislative service office to obtain the services of 23 independent professional expertise to undertake the review 24 and analysis of those projects contained within the 2002

1 budget recommendations of the state superintendent and to 2 develop project documents to the extent required under 3 section 4(b) of this act. In addition, the amounts 4 appropriated under this paragraph shall be used to cover 5 additional expenses incurred for committee meetings and interim activity created under section 4(b) of this act; 6

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hundred fifty thousand dollars 8 (ii) Six 9 (\$650,000.00) to the governor to fund necessary expenses 10 incurred by the school facilities commission in conducting 11 required review and analysis of those projects the 12 resulting from the school construction needs identified 13 under section 4(c) of this act and in acquiring necessary 14 consulting expertise required to implement section 4(c) of this act. Amounts appropriated under this paragraph may 15 16 also be expended for expenses incurred by the state 17 superintendent of public instruction in conducting project review and analysis required under section 4(c) of this 18 19 act.

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21 (b) In addition to subsection (a) of this section, 22 one million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$1,900,000.00) 23 appropriated from the school capital construction is 24 account to the governor to fund initial expenses of the

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1 establishment and operation of the commission through the 2 fiscal period ending June 30, 2003, including necessary consulting expertise, staff expenses and assistance to 3 4 school districts for the development of district facility 5 plans in accordance with section 4(d) of this act. The commission shall on or before December 31, 2002, report 6 expenditures of amounts appropriated under this subsection 7 to the joint appropriations committee. 8

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10 Five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) is (C) appropriated from the school capital construction account 11 12 to the emergency contingency account established under W.S. 13 21-15-121 as created under section 1 of this act.

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(d) Forty thousand dollars (\$40,000.00) 15 is 16 appropriated from the general fund to the legislative 17 service office to fund interim work and meetings of the select committee on school facilities established under 18 19 W.S. 28-11-301, as created by section 1 of this act. Funds 20 appropriated under this subsection shall be subject to 21 approval of the management council.

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23 (e) No amounts appropriated under this section shall 24 lapse on July 1, 2003, pursuant to W.S. 9-4-207.

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2	Section 6. (Initial Appointments.)
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4	(a) Notwithstanding W.S. 21-15-113 as created under
5	section 1 of this act, the terms of initial appointments to
6	the school facilities commission shall commence upon
7	appointment, with three (3) of the six (6) initial
8	appointments appointed to a term of two (2) years and the
9	remaining initial appointments appointed to a term of four
10	(4) years.
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12	(b) Notwithstanding W.S. 28-11-103, as created under
13	section 1 of this act, the terms of initial appointments to
14	the select committee on school facilities shall commence
15	upon appointment.
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17	Section 7. (Effective Dates.)
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19	(a) Sections 4, 5 and 6 of this act are effective
20	immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a
21	bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of
22	the Wyoming Constitution.
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1	(b)	Except	as	provided	by	subsection	(a)	of	this
2	section,	this act	is	effective	July	1, 2002.			
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