

SENATE FILE NO. SF0085

Wage disparity committee.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Job, Coe, Devin, Kunz, Mockler
and Sessions and Representative(s) Johnson,
L., Law, Meyer, Nagel, Paseneaux, Robinson,
Simons, Warren and Wostenberg

A BILL

for

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

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

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7 **Section 1.** The University of Wyoming in conjunction
8 with the committee as defined in this bill shall spend no
9 more than eighty-one thousand dollars (\$81,000.00) to
10 conduct a study on the disparity of wages and benefits
11 between men and women in Wyoming. The University of Wyoming
12 shall coordinate the study with the department of
13 employment and various other state agencies as necessary.
14 Not more than six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) shall be
15 spent on the committee's per diem and expenses. As a result

1 of the study, a report shall be presented by the committee
2 to the joint minerals, business and economic development
3 interim committee on or before May 1, 2003. The study shall
4 focus on:

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6 (i) Where disparities exist;

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

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

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

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

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20 (b) The committee shall consist of the chairman and
21 vice-chairman of the Wyoming council for women's issues,
22 one (1) member of the senate appointed by the president of
23 the senate, one (1) member of the house appointed by the
24 speaker, a representative of the division of economic

1 analysis, department of administration and information, a
2 representative from the board of the Wyoming business
3 council appointed by the elected vice chairman of the
4 board, a representative of labor.

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6 (c) The members of the committee shall receive per
7 diem and expenses for attending board meetings in the same
8 amount as state employees and shall receive no other
9 compensation for serving on the committee.

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

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