

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0087

State treasurer investments.

Sponsored by: Joint Agriculture, Public Lands and Water
Resources Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to investment of state funds; increasing
2 the amount which the state treasurer may invest in loans to
3 assist small businesses; requiring a specified percentage
4 of the investment to be in agricultural related loans; and
5 providing for an effective date.

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

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 9-4-701(e) (intro) is amended to read:

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11 **9-4-701. Permissible investments; treasurer's rules**
12 **and regulations.**

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14 (e) The limitation on legislatively designated
15 investments under W.S. 9-4-712 applies to this investment.
16 To assist Wyoming's small businesses, the state treasurer
17 may invest or commit to invest and keep invested an amount

1 not to exceed ~~fifty-five million dollars (\$55,000,000.00)~~
2 one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000.00) of any state
3 permanent funds available for investment, excluding
4 permanent funds allocated for joint powers loans, farm and
5 ranch loans, water development loans, or real estate
6 mortgages, through the purchase of portions of Small
7 Business Administration ~~loans, Farmers Home Administration~~
8 ~~business and industry loans and Economic Development~~
9 ~~Administration loans~~ loan guarantees, USDA - Farm Service
10 Agency loan guarantees and USDA Rural Development loan
11 guarantees. Of the amounts invested pursuant to this
12 subsection, not less than forty percent (40%) shall be
13 invested in loans made to agricultural producers. No new
14 investments pursuant to this subsection shall be made after
15 December 31, 2006. Investment by the state treasurer shall
16 be limited to the portion of the loan that is guaranteed by
17 the Small Business Administration, ~~Farmers Home~~
18 ~~Administration or Economic Development Administration~~ USDA
19 - Farm Service Agency or USDA Rural Development. Any
20 assignment of loans to the state treasurer under this
21 subsection shall provide that the Small Business
22 Administration loan participant, ~~Farmers Home~~
23 ~~Administration~~ USDA - Farm Service Agency loan participant
24 or ~~Economic Development Administration~~ USDA Rural

1 Development loan participant originating the loan and any
2 assignee thereof shall service the loan and make payments
3 of principal and interest to the state treasurer as
4 provided by rule, and in the event of default of the loan
5 or the terms of the loan, be responsible for the collection
6 of the debt. For the first five (5) years of the loan, the
7 interest rates contained in the loans shall be as
8 established by the state treasurer but not less than the
9 yield of the five (5) year federal treasury bond at the
10 date of commitment. Following the first five (5) years of
11 the loan, the interest rate shall be adjusted to the then
12 current interest rate required in the note and loan
13 agreements. The state treasurer shall promulgate rules and
14 regulations governing the investment of state funds under
15 this subsection including the following:

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

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(END)