

ENROLLED ACT NO. 53, SENATE

FIFTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2004 BUDGET SESSION

AN ACT relating to appropriations for the legislature; providing appropriations for the operation of the legislative branch of state government; and providing for effective dates.

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

Section 1. There is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative service office the following specified amounts, or as much thereof as may be necessary, to pay the costs and expenses of the Wyoming legislature through June 30, 2006:

SALARIES

Permanent/Temporary.....	\$4,562,858
Legislators - Session.....	1,203,258
Legislators - Interim.....	467,671
Session Staff.....	726,520
Employer Paid Benefits.....	1,669,433

IN-STATE TRAVEL [1.][2.]

Mileage and Per Diem - Session.....	827,200
Mileage and Per Diem - Interim.....	749,680

OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL

Travel Expenses.....	118,000
Per Diem.....	124,380

ANNUAL DUES (both FY 2005 and 2006)

National Conference of State Legislatures.	166,445
The Energy Council.....	64,000
Council of State Governments.....	128,950
CSG additional support.....	100,000

REGISTRATION FEES.....	53,620
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TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND POSTAGE.....	180,000
GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT [3.]..... (Information technology, copying, supplies and equipment, furniture, contract services, special projects, etc.)	847,450
STATUTES, SESSION LAWS AND DIGESTS.....	<u>388,000</u>
TOTAL.....	\$12,377,465

Footnotes to Section 1:

1. [Additional Travel] Not to exceed twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000.00) shall be used to reimburse legislators for mileage for one (1) additional trip to travel to their residence and return to the legislature during the 2005 general session and for one (1) additional trip to travel to their residence and return to the legislature during the 2006 budget session.

2. [Mid-Session Recess - Per Diem] Subject to management council approval, legislators may be authorized not to exceed five (5) additional days per diem for a mid-session recess during the 2005 general session. Notwithstanding W.S. 28-5-101, legislative salary shall not be paid for any days the legislature is in recess under this footnote. Not to exceed fifty-three thousand five hundred fifty dollars (\$53,550.00) shall be expended for per diem under this footnote.

3. [Legislative Computer Equipment] Not to exceed one hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$170,000.00) shall be used for the lease or purchase of laptop computers and support systems. Expenditure of funds under this footnote

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shall be subject to approval by the select committee on legislative technology. Legislative laptop computers being replaced shall be sold in accordance with Management Council directives. Any proceeds received from the sale of any laptop computer shall be deposited into the general fund and are hereby reappropriated to the legislative service office to be used for the purchase of replacement laptop computers.

Section 2. [Standard Provision] - The Management Council may transfer funds from one expense category to another under section 1 of this act as the activities of the legislature may require.

Section 3. [Standard Provision] - The appropriation for out-of-state travel under this act shall be used to reimburse legislators for documented legislative travel and per diem expenses to meetings including, but not limited to, the National Conference of State Legislatures, the Council of State Governments and the Energy Council. Reimbursements shall be made with the permission of the Speaker of the House or the President of the Senate, in accordance with policies of the Management Council.

Section 4. [Carry Forward of Prior Appropriations]

(a) Notwithstanding W.S. 9-2-1008, 9-2-1012(e) and 9-4-207(a), the unobligated portions of the following appropriations shall not revert on June 30, 2004, and are hereby reappropriated to the legislative service office subject to any conditions in the original appropriations:

(i) Appropriation for committee staff support and consultant services relating to implementation of the education resource block grant model, 2003 Wyo. Session Laws, Ch. 208, Section 103(f);

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(ii) Any balance in the constituent service allowance account created by W.S. 28-5-106(a) remaining on June 30, 2004, is appropriated to fund the constituent service allowance for the period July 1, 2004, through June 30, 2006.

Section 5. [Artwork/Facilities Appropriations] There is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative service office:

(a) Sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000.00) for the restoration of legislator composite photograph frames.

(b) Twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) for enhancement of the artwork security system.

(c) Eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000.00) for the remodeling of chambers work stations.

(d) Fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) for committee room signage.

(e) Twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.00) for the restoration of historic benches.

(f) Five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for the repair or replacement of miscellaneous furnishings.

Section 6. [Facility Enhancement Study] The select committee on school facilities shall conduct a study of school district enhancements to school buildings and facilities. The study shall provide recommendations on revenue mechanisms available to local districts to fund enhancements and to fund the maintenance of enhancements. The study under this section shall be funded from the

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appropriation to the legislative service office (salaries and in-state travel) authorized under section 1 of this act.

Section 7. The Select Committee on Legislative Facilities shall study the options for opening the skylights in the House and Senate Chambers to sunlight and report its recommendations to the Management Council prior to the 2005 general session of the Legislature. There is appropriated to the Legislative Service Office fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) from the general fund for administrative expenses, design and other services to perform the study under this section and the costs of restoration.

Section 8. [Effective Immediate Appropriations]

(a) The legislative service office is authorized four (4) additional full-time positions. Duties and responsibilities of these positions shall be assigned by the Management Council. There is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative service office seventy-four thousand dollars (\$74,000.00) to fund these positions through June 30, 2004. Unexpended funds appropriated under this subsection shall revert to the general fund on June 30, 2004.

(b) For the period ending December 31, 2004, there is appropriated sixty-four thousand seven hundred fifty dollars (\$64,750.00) from the general fund to the legislative service office to be used to reimburse specified officers and ranking members of the House of Representatives and the Senate for clerical expenses incurred in performing the duties required by their positions during the time the legislature is not in

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session. Reimbursement under this section shall be subject to the following:

(i) Expenses shall be reimbursed quarterly upon submission of a claim form by the officer or member verifying the expenses incurred;

(ii) Claim forms shall be submitted to the legislative service office not later than the last day of the month following the calendar quarter for which the reimbursement is claimed;

(iii) Clerical expenses shall include payment for services performed by part-time secretarial or clerical assistants and other similar expenses authorized by Management Council policy;

(iv) No person shall be deemed eligible for reimbursement under more than one status category listed under paragraph (v) of this subsection;

(v) The amount of the reimbursement shall not exceed the following annual amounts:

(A) For the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate, one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00);

(B) For the Senate Majority Floor Leader, Vice President, Minority Floor Leader, Minority Whip and Minority Caucus Chairman, and the House Majority Floor Leader, Speaker Pro Tempore, Majority Whip, Minority Floor Leader, Minority Whip and Minority Caucus Chairman, one thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$1,250.00); and

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(C) For the Chairman and the ranking minority member of each standing committee listed in House Rule 4-1 1 through 10 and Senate Rule 7-1 1 through 10, the Management Audit Committee, the Select Water Committee, the Select Committee on Capital Financing and Investments, and the Select Committee on School Facilities, one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).

(vi) Unexpended funds appropriated under this subsection shall revert to the general fund on March 31, 2005.

(c) There is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative service office six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary for the purchase of two (2) color printers, one (1) for the senate and one (1) for the house.

(d) There is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative service office ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) or as much thereof as is necessary for the purchase of a microphone and speaker system for room 302 of the capitol building.

(e) There is appropriated twenty thousand six hundred twenty-five dollars (\$20,625.00) from the general fund to the legislative service office to be used to reimburse specified legislators for their expense of purchasing personal digital assistants (PDA's) or similar devices necessary for carrying out their legislative duties and providing service to and on behalf of their constituents, subject to the following:

(i) Reimbursement under this subsection shall be available only to legislators elected at the 2004 general election;

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(ii) The amount of reimbursement to any legislator shall be in an amount equal to one-half (1/2) of the purchase price of the device, but not to exceed two hundred seventy-five dollars (\$275.00);

(iii) Expenses shall be reimbursed upon submission to the legislative service office of a verified claim form and purchase receipt;

(iv) Unexpended funds appropriated under this subsection shall revert to the general fund on July 1, 2006;

(v) The select committee on legislative technology, in consultation with the legislative service office information technology staff, shall specify an approved personal digital assistants (PDA) or similar device for reimbursement under this section.

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Section 9. [Effective Date] - Sections 4 and 8 of this act are effective immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution. The balance of this act is effective July 1, 2004.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

Chief Clerk