

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0189

Veterans home study.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Harvey, Bagby, Brechtel,
Iekel, Lockhart, Robinson and Walsh and
Senator(s) Case

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to veterans; providing for a master plan
2 for care of disabled Wyoming veterans; providing for a
3 study of the need, possible sites and possible funding
4 sources for a new state veterans home; providing an
5 appropriation; and 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.**

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11 (a) The Wyoming veterans commission with the support
12 of and in cooperation with the department of health and the
13 state building commission, shall develop a master plan for
14 the residential and nonresidential care of disabled Wyoming
15 veterans.

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1 (b) The commission shall study current and projected
2 populations of disabled veterans and develop a plan for
3 addressing the long term health care needs of the disabled
4 veteran community. The study shall determine whether or
5 not an additional veterans' nursing home should be
6 established.

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8 (c) If the study results indicate the need for
9 establishment of a veterans' nursing home, the commission
10 shall develop a master plan for the proposed facility.
11 This master plan shall consider potential funding sources
12 for a state veterans' home, alternatives to construction of
13 a new facility and potential sites for a state veterans'
14 home.

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16 (d) The commission shall report its written findings
17 and recommendations to the joint labor, health and social
18 services interim committee and the joint appropriations
19 interim committee on or before October 1, 2005

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21 **Section 2.** There is appropriated from the general
22 fund one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00), or as much
23 thereof as may be necessary, to the veterans' commission to
24 carry out the purposes of this act.

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2 **Section 3.** This act is effective immediately upon
3 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
4 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
5 Constitution.

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