HOUSE BILL NO. HB0272

Coal beneficiation facilities-tax exemptions.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Edwards and Lockhart and Senator(s) Anderson, J.

A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to taxation and revenue; creating a sales
- 2 and use tax exemption for new coal gasification or coal
- 3 liquefaction facilities as specified; providing for annual
- 4 reports; and providing for an effective date.

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

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- 8 **Section 1.** W.S. 39-15-105(a) (viii) by creating a new
- 9 subparagraph (P) and 39-16-105(a)(viii) by creating a new
- 10 subparagraph (E) are amended to read:

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12 **39-15-105.** Exemptions.

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- 14 (a) The following sales or leases are exempt from the
- 15 excise tax imposed by this article:

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(viii) For the purpose of exempting sales of 1 2 services and tangible personal property as an economic 3 incentive, the following are exempt: 4 5 (P) The sale of equipment used to construct a new coal gasification or coal liquefaction facility. The 6 7 exemption provided by this subparagraph shall be limited to the acquisition of equipment used in a project to make it 8 9 operational. The exemption shall not apply to tools and other equipment used in construction of a new facility, 10 11 contracted services required for construction and routine 12 maintenance activities and equipment utilized or acquired 13 after the facility is operational. 14 15 39-16-105. Exemptions. 16 17 The following purchases or leases are exempt from the excise tax imposed by this article: 18 19 20 (viii) For the purpose of exempting sales of 21 services and tangible personal property as an economic 22 incentive, the following are exempt:

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| 1 | (E) The purchase of equipment used to |
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| 2 | construct a new coal gasification or coal liquefaction |
| 3 | facility. The exemption provided by this subparagraph |
| 4 | shall be limited to the acquisition of equipment used in a |
| 5 | project to make it operational. The exemption shall not |
| 6 | apply to tools and other equipment used in construction of |
| 7 | a new facility, contracted services required for |
| 8 | construction and routine maintenance activities and |
| 9 | equipment utilized or acquired after the facility is |
| 10 | operational. |
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| 12 | Section 2. |
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| 14 | (a) The Wyoming business council and the department |
| 15 | of revenue shall jointly report on or before December 1 of |
| 16 | each year the exemption provided by this act is in effect |
| 17 | to the joint minerals, business and economic development |
| 18 | interim committee and the joint revenue interim committee. |
| 19 | The report shall evaluate the cumulative effects of the |
| 20 | exemption from initiation of the exemption and shall |
| 21 | include: |
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| 23 | (i) A history of employment in the coal |
| 24 | gasification and coal liquefaction industry in terms of |

| 1 | numbers | of | employees, | full-time | and | part-time | employees, |
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2 and rate of turnover;

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4 (ii) A history of wages and benefits

5 disaggregated by gender for each job category; and

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7 (iii) A comprehensive history of taxes paid to

the state of Wyoming by companies in the coal gasification 8

and coal liquefaction industry. 9

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Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2005. 11

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