

WORKING DRAFT

HOUSE BILL NO. _____

Medical malpractice insurance account.

Sponsored by: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to medical malpractice insurance assistance
2 account; extending the deadline for applying for loans
3 under the account as specified; specifying applicability of
4 the act; providing an appropriation; and providing for an
5 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. 35-1-902(j) and 35-1-903(e) are
10 amended to read:

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12 **35-1-902. Medical malpractice insurance assistance**
13 **account; creation; duties of the department; requirements**
14 **for assistance; breach.**

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1 (j) No loan shall be made under this section unless
2 the physician or contracting entity has completed and
3 submitted an application to the department on or before
4 ~~January 15, 2005~~ March 30, 2007.

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6 **35-1-903. Assistance for risk retention group**
7 **participation; duties of the department; requirements for**
8 **assistance; breach.**

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10 (e) No loan shall be made under this section unless
11 the physician has completed and submitted an application to
12 the department on or before ~~January 15, 2005~~ March 30,
13 2007.

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15 **Section 2.** For the period beginning April 1, 2006 and
16 ending June 30, 2007, there is appropriated from the
17 general fund to the medical malpractice insurance account
18 six hundred eighty-two thousand five hundred dollars
19 (\$682,500.00) to implement the purposes of this act,
20 including loans for physicians' qualified medical
21 malpractice insurance premiums, loans for risk retention
22 group participation and administrative costs incurred by
23 the department of health in the implementation of W.S. 35-
24 1-901 through 35-1-903.

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2 **Section 3.** Loans under this act shall be made for
3 applications received by the department of health for the
4 period beginning April 1, 2006 and ending March 30, 2007.

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6 **Section 4.** This act is effective April 1, 2006.

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