

ORIGINAL SENATE
FILE NO. 0002

ENROLLED ACT NO. 32, SENATE

FIFTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2006 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 an effective date.

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, 2008:

SALARIES

LSO Staff Permanent/Temporary.....	\$5,164,600
Legislators - Session.....	1,203,258
Legislators - Interim.....	463,710
Session Staff.....	768,190
Employer Paid Benefits.....	1,964,433

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

Mileage and Per Diem - Session.....	842,600
Mileage and Per Diem - Interim.....	767,620

OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL

Travel Expenses.....	162,000
Per Diem.....	198,000

ANNUAL DUES (both FY 2007 and 2008)

National Conference of State Legislatures.	182,687
The Energy Council.....	64,000
Council of State Governments.....	146,834

REGISTRATION FEES.....	90,000
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TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND POSTAGE.....	190,000
GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT [3.]..... (Information technology, copying, supplies and equipment, furniture, contract services, special projects, etc.)	882,500
STATUTES, SESSION LAWS AND DIGESTS.....	<u>431,000</u>
TOTAL.....	\$13,521,432

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 2007 general session and for one (1) additional trip to travel to their residence and return to the legislature during the 2008 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 2007 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 shall be subject to approval by the select committee on

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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-Flex]. 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-Travel]. 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, 2006, and are hereby reappropriated to the legislative service office subject to any conditions in the original appropriations:

(i) Any balance remaining on June 30, 2006, resulting from the sale of legislative laptop computers prior to that date is appropriated to the legislative service office to be used for the purchase of replacement laptop computers;

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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, 2006, is appropriated to fund the constituent service allowance for the period July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2008.

Section 5. [Constituent Service Allowance]. There is appropriated from the general fund to the constituent service allowance account created by W.S. 28-5-106(a) three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000.00) to fund the constituent service allowance for the period July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2008.

Section 6. [PDA Devices].

(a) There is appropriated twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) 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 2006 general election;

(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 the reimbursement shall not exceed two hundred seventy-five dollars (\$275.00);

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

(iv) The select committee on legislative technology, in consultation with the legislative service office information technology staff, shall recommend personal digital assistants (PDA's) or similar devices for reimbursement under this section.

Section 7. [Artwork/Facilities Appropriations]. There is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative service office:

(a) Eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000.00) for completion of historic bench renovation.

(b) Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) for replacement of committee member chairs.

(c) Ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) for replacement of committee audience chairs.

(d) Two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) for equipment for the medical aid station.

(e) Seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00) for historic coat racks in house chamber.

(f) Thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) for joint appropriations committee room and room 302 furnishings.

(g) Seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000.00) to commission portraits of past governors.

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(h) Twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000.00) for painting, stenciling and recarpeting the legislative service office main office.

(j) Thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) for a new sound system and speakers in the senate.

(k) Five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for committee room photographs.

(m) Five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for miscellaneous furnishings and projects.

Section 8. [Wyoming Blue Book]. There is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative service office three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000.00) for updating, revising and republishing the Wyoming Blue Book. The legislative service office shall contract with the department of state parks and cultural resources which may contract for services necessary to prepare and print the publication.

Section 9. [Photocopy Equipment]. There is appropriated ninety-two thousand dollars (\$92,000.00) from the general fund to the Legislative Service Office for the purchase of photocopy equipment.

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Section 10. [Effective Date]. This act is effective
July 1, 2006.

(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