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Chapter No.: 25
Prime Sponsor: Joint Appropriations Interim Committee
Catch Title: School facilities appropriations-3.
Subject: 2017-2018 biennial appropriations for school facilities projects.

Summary/Major Elements:

- Forwards a biennial budget for school facilities projects.
- Requires the School Facilities Department to develop an estimated schedule for deployment of appropriations for projects funded for the biennium, together with projects funds by previous appropriations, and to report fund deployment and project progression to the Select Committee on School Facilities, the Joint Appropriations Committee and the Governor.
- Appropriates \$103,698,258 for the biennium as follows:
 - \$4,982,000 for design projects, \$4,919,527 of which is to address previously funded projects;
 - \$10,494,694 for construction projects, \$8,402,193 of which is to address previously funded projects;
 - \$6,698,790 for construction of an elementary school to address capacity needs in Sweetwater County School District No. 2 from funds appropriated in 2014 and re-appropriated by this bill;
 - \$654,600 for land acquisitions, including land leases;
 - \$459,174 for unanticipated costs over the biennium;
 - \$400,000 for payment of leases for charter schools operating lawfully as a part of a Wyoming school district;
 - \$80,000,000 (appropriated from the Legislative Stabilization Reserve Account) for the 2017-2018 fiscal year for school facilities projects to be identified by the School Facilities Department and Commission prior to the 2017 General Session. Legislative authorization is required prior to expenditure.
- Requires the School Facilities Department and Commission to complete the condition needs assessment of Wyoming school buildings in creating the request

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for expenditure of the \$80,000,000 appropriated for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the statewide priority list for projects required by W.S. 21-15-117.

- Allows districts to expend up to 10% of the funds received for major maintenance on school safety and security building and facility needs with the approval of the School Facilities Department.
- In addition to the project deployment report, the School Facilities Department is to report to the Select Committee on School Facilities and the Joint Appropriations Committee on processes and mechanisms directed at reducing future project cost overages.

Comments: Multiple reports required as noted above.

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