SENATE FILE NO. SF0063

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Sponsored by: Joint Appropriations Committee

A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to the legislative stabilization reserve
- 2 account; requiring investment of the account as specified;
- 3 specifying the maximum percentage of the account which may be
- 4 invested in equities; requiring the state loan and investment
- 5 board to adopt an investment policy statement for the account;
- 6 requiring a report; and providing for an effective date.

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

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- 10 **Section 1.** W.S. 9-4-219(a) and 9-4-715 by creating a
- 11 new subsection (q) are amended to read:

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13 9-4-219. Legislative stabilization reserve account

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14 created; purposes.

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1 legislative stabilization reserve account (a) The

STATE OF WYOMING

2 created by 2005 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 191, Section 4,

3 Section 301(d) is continued and codified. Funds within the

4 account shall only be expended by legislative appropriation.

5 All funds within the account shall be invested by the state

treasurer as authorized under W.S. 9-4-715(a), (d), (e) and 6

(q) and all investment earnings from the account shall be 7

8 credited to the general fund.

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9-4-715. Permissible investments. 10

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(q) The state treasurer, or his designee, which shall 12

13 be registered under the Investment Advisor's Act of 1940 as

amended if required to be registered by the terms of that act 14

as amended shall invest the legislative stabilization reserve 15

account created in W.S. 9-4-219 in a manner to obtain the 16

highest return possible subject to the following: 17

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19 (i) Investments shall be made in accordance with

20 investment policy statements adopted by the board under W.S.

21 9-4-716. In adopting investment policy statements for the

legislative stabilization reserve account, the board shall 22

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| 1 | seek to preserve the balance of the account as necessary to |
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| 2 | address: |
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| 4 | (A) A budget shortfall or structural budget |
| 5 | deficit through contingent appropriations and expenditures |
| 6 | under W.S. 9-2-1014(d)(ii) and (iii); |
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| 8 | (B) A published consensus revenue estimating |
| 9 | group estimate of revenues that is less than existing |
| 10 | legislative appropriations for state government operations or |
| 11 | support of public schools; |
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| 13 | (C) Other emergencies and needs identified or |
| 14 | authorized by the legislature under Wyoming statutes and |
| 15 | session laws. |
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| 17 | (ii) To the extent funds are available and prior |
| 18 | to making any other investments, five hundred million dollars |
| 19 | (\$500,000,000.00) shall be invested in short term fixed |
| 20 | income investment grade securities; |
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| 22 | (iii) After consultation with the budget division |
| 23 | of the department of administration and information, up to |
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| 1 | <u>fifty-five</u> percent (55%) of the unobligated, unencumbered |
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| 2 | balance of the legislative stabilization reserve account in |
| 3 | excess of the amount specified in paragraph (ii) of this |
| 4 | subsection, as calculated by the state auditor on October 1 |
| 5 | of each fiscal year, may be invested in equities, including |
| 6 | stocks of corporations. Investments under this paragraph |
| 7 | shall be made in compliance with subsections (c) and (d) of |
| 8 | this section; |
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| 10 | (iv) Not later than November 1 of each year, the |
| 11 | state treasurer shall report to the joint appropriations |
| 12 | committee and the select committee on capital financing and |
| 13 | investments regarding the annual review of the investment |
| 14 | policy statement for the legislative stabilization reserve |
| 15 | account and the investment performance of the account. |
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| 17 | Section 2. This act is effective immediately upon |
| 18 | completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as |
| 19 | provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution. |
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| 21 | (END) |

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