

SENATE FILE NO. SF0002

Legislative budget.

Sponsored by: Management Council

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to appropriations for the legislature;
2 providing appropriations for the operation of the
3 legislative branch of state government; and providing for
4 effective dates.

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

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8 **Section 1.** There is appropriated from the general
9 fund to the legislative service office the following
10 specified amounts, or as much thereof as may be necessary,
11 to pay the costs and expenses of the Wyoming legislature
12 through June 30, 2022:

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14 SALARIES

15 LSO Staff Permanent/Temporary\$8,694,968

16 Legislators - Session1,176,246

1	Legislators - Interim	1,947,602
2	Session Staff	649,608
3	Employer Paid Benefits	4,432,169
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5	IN-STATE TRAVEL	
6	Mileage and Per Diem - Session	1,065,024
7	Mileage and Per Diem - Interim	860,090
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9	OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL	
10	Travel Expenses	80,800
11	Per Diem	110,800
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13	ANNUAL DUES	
14	National Conference of State Legislatures	267,587
15	The Energy Council	76,800
16	Council of State Governments	217,332
17	Other	10,520
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19	REGISTRATION FEES	55,600
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21	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	50,000
22		
23	ITD SERVICES (Network connections & backup)	10,000

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2 GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT808,610

3 (Information technology, copying,
4 supplies and equipment, furniture,
5 contract services, special projects, etc.)

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7 STATUTES, SESSION LAWS AND DIGESTS385,000

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9 TOTAL\$20,898,756

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11 **Section 2.** [Standard Provision-Flex]. The Management
12 Council may transfer funds from one expense category to
13 another under Section 1 of this act as the activities of
14 the legislature may require.

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16 **Section 3.** [Standard Provision-Travel]. The
17 appropriation for out-of-state travel under this act shall
18 be used to reimburse legislators for documented legislative
19 travel and per diem expenses to attend out-of-state
20 meetings in accordance with policies of the Management
21 Council.

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23 **Section 4.** [Carry Forward of Prior Appropriations].

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2 (a) Notwithstanding W.S. 9-2-1008, 9-2-1012(e) and
3 9-4-207(a), the unobligated portions of the following
4 appropriations shall not revert on June 30, 2020, and are
5 hereby reappropriated to the legislative service office for
6 the following purposes:

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8 (i) Any unexpended, unobligated amounts
9 reappropriated for expenditure by the legislative service
10 office under 2018 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 24,
11 Sections 4(a)(i) and 7, are reappropriated for expenditure
12 by the legislative service office for the period commencing
13 July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2022. Expenditures of
14 amounts reappropriated under this paragraph shall be for
15 professional consulting expertise and other support
16 necessary to carry out and execute work of the legislature
17 pertaining to required K-12 education responsibilities,
18 issues and studies. Professional consulting expertise may
19 be retained by the legislative service office only upon
20 approval of the Management Council, and the unexpended,
21 unobligated amounts may be expended for contractual
22 agreements between the Council and professional
23 consultants;

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2 (ii) Any balance remaining on June 30, 2020,
3 resulting from the sale of legislative laptop computers
4 prior to that date is appropriated to the legislative
5 service office to be used for the purchase of replacement
6 laptop computers and support systems for the period July 1,
7 2020 through June 30, 2022;

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9 (iii) Any unexpended, unobligated amounts
10 appropriated for expenditure under 2018 Wyoming Session
11 Laws, Chapter 24 are reappropriated for expenditure by the
12 legislative service office at the direction of the
13 Management Council for extraordinary expenses of the
14 legislature and as necessary to supplement any expense
15 category under this act, for the period commencing July 1,
16 2020 and ending June 30, 2022.

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18 (b) This section is effective immediately.

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20 **Section 5.** [Technology Project].

21

22 (a) There is appropriated one hundred twenty-five
23 thousand dollars (\$125,000.00) from the general fund to the

1 legislative service office for continued development and
2 support of the legislative management system.

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4 (b) This section is effective immediately.

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6 **Section 6.** [New Legislator Training Compensation].

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8 (a) From and after the date the state canvassing
9 board certifies the results of the 2020 general election in
10 accordance with W.S. 22-16-118, legislators elect and newly
11 appointed legislators may, to the extent authorized by the
12 Management Council, receive mileage and per diem at the
13 same rate as members of the legislature plus an amount
14 equal to the daily salary paid to legislators for each day
15 spent at a legislative training function or at a meeting of
16 an interim committee to which they will be assigned.

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18 (b) There is appropriated from the general fund to
19 the legislative service office thirty-four thousand dollars
20 (\$34,000.00) or as much thereof as may be necessary for
21 purposes of this section.

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23 (c) As used in this section:

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2 (i) "Legislator elect" means a person elected to
3 the legislature during the 2020 general election who is not
4 a current member of the legislature and before the person
5 is duly sworn in;

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7 (ii) "Newly appointed legislator" means a person
8 appointed after the 2020 general election to fill a vacancy
9 in the House or Senate and before the person is duly sworn
10 in.

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12 **Section 7.** [Reappropriation of School Foundation
13 Program Account Funds].

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15 (a) Notwithstanding W.S. 9-2-1008, 9-2-1012(e) and
16 9-4-207(a), any unexpended, unobligated amounts
17 appropriated from the school foundation program account to
18 the attorney general under 2018 Wyoming Session Laws,
19 Chapter 134, Section 2, Section 015, as amended by 2019
20 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 80, Section 2, Section 015,
21 for purposes of the law office shall not revert on June 30,
22 2020. On July 1, 2020 these amounts are reappropriated for
23 expenditure by the legislative service office for the

1 period commencing July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2022.
2 Expenditures of amounts reappropriated under this
3 subsection shall be for professional consulting expertise
4 and other support necessary to carry out and execute work
5 of the legislature pertaining to required K-12 education
6 responsibilities, issues and studies. Professional
7 consulting expertise may be retained by the legislative
8 service office only upon approval of the Management
9 Council, and the unexpended, unobligated amounts may be
10 expended for contractual agreements between the Council and
11 professional consultants.

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13 (b) This section is effective immediately.

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15 **Section 8.** [Special Contingency].

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17 (a) There is appropriated two hundred fifty thousand
18 dollars (\$250,000.00) from the general fund to the
19 legislative service office to be expended at the direction
20 of the Management Council for extraordinary expenses of the
21 legislature and as necessary to supplement any expense
22 category under this act.

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1 (b) This section is effective immediately.

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3 **Section 9.** [Economic Development Authorized Travel].

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5 (a) Notwithstanding W.S. 9-2-1008, 9-2-1012(e) and
6 9-4-207(a), any unexpended, unobligated amounts appropriated
7 for expenditure under 2016 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 79,
8 Section 10, as amended by 2017 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter
9 42, and 2018 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 24, Section 9 are
10 reappropriated to the legislative service office for
11 legislative travel expenses as authorized in this section.

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13 (b) Subject to available appropriation, legislators
14 traveling out-of-state, including internationally, in
15 connection with executive branch or legislatively approved
16 efforts to expand and diversify Wyoming's energy and
17 industrial economy or to attract new business enterprises to
18 the state or to improve access to and growth in domestic and
19 international markets, are authorized reimbursement of actual
20 travel expenses, including travel, lodging, meals and
21 necessary incidentals, provided:

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23 (i) Reimbursement of travel expenses for members

1 of the legislature to participate in economic
2 development efforts under this section shall require the
3 approval of the Management Council;

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5 (ii) In designating members authorized to
6 receive travel reimbursement under this section, preference
7 shall be given to members who have expressed an intention
8 to seek re-election to, or if mid-term to continue to
9 serve in, the Wyoming legislature during the 2021 and 2022
10 legislative sessions.

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12 (c) This section is effective immediately.

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14 **Section 10.** [Wyoming State Treasurer's Investment
15 Conference]. There is appropriated twenty thousand dollars
16 (\$20,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative
17 service office for payment of registration, mileage and per
18 diem for legislators attending the Wyoming state treasurer's
19 investment conference in the 2020 or 2021 interim.
20 Registration payments shall not exceed three hundred fifty
21 dollars (\$350.00) per legislator.

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23 **Section 11.** [Facilities Appropriations].

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2 (a) There is appropriated two hundred fifty thousand
3 dollars (\$250,000.00) from the general fund to the
4 legislative service office to hire a consultant and other
5 qualified professionals to assist with the design,
6 procurement, ordering, purchasing and installation of
7 office furnishings, other furnishings, fixtures and
8 equipment and owner identified improvements within the
9 capitol building and capitol extension. Contracts shall be
10 awarded under this subsection by a vote of a majority of
11 the members of the State Building Commission and a vote of
12 the majority of the members of the Management Council.

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14 (b) Management Council may also engage the services
15 of consultants and other qualified professionals to procure
16 the items listed in this subsection using funds
17 appropriated under this subsection. There is appropriated
18 from the general fund to the legislative service office:

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20 (i) One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00)
21 for miscellaneous furnishings and projects;

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1 (ii) Ninety-one thousand dollars (\$91,000.00)
2 for room management equipment and professional fees;

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4 (iii) Two hundred ten thousand dollars
5 (\$210,000.00) for video conferencing and video streaming in
6 at least four (4) public meeting rooms in the capitol
7 extension.

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9 (c) Funds appropriated under this section shall be
10 expended pursuant to all requirements of law, including the
11 requirements of article 3, section 31 of the Wyoming
12 constitution.

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14 (d) This section is effective immediately.

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16 **Section 12.** [Legislative Redistricting]. There is
17 appropriated two hundred eighty-five thousand dollars
18 (\$285,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative
19 service office to fund hardware, software, staff support
20 and committee meetings required for legislative
21 redistricting following the 2020 census.

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23 **Section 13.** [CSG Annual Meeting]. There is

1 appropriated one hundred twenty-five thousand seven hundred
2 dollars (\$125,700.00) from the general fund to the
3 legislative service office for members of the legislature
4 and staff of the legislative service office to attend the
5 2020 annual meeting of the Council of State Governments.

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7 **Section 14.** [Effective Dates].

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9 (a) As used in this act, "effective immediately"
10 means effective immediately upon completion of all acts
11 necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article
12 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution. Any appropriation
13 contained in this act that is effective immediately shall
14 not lapse until June 30, 2022, unless otherwise specified.

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16 (b) Except as otherwise provided, this act is
17 effective July 1, 2020.

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19 (END)