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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO. _____

State budget task force.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Wallis

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the legislature; establishing the zero-
2 based budget task force as specified; providing
3 appropriations; providing for a repeal date; and providing
4 for an effective date.

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

7 **Section 1.**

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9 (a) There is created a zero-based budget task force
10 to consist of the following:

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12 (i) The chairman of the senate revenue
13 committee, the chairman of the senate appropriations
14 committee and two (2) additional members of the senate

1 appointed by the president of the senate, not more than two
2 (2) of which shall be from the same political party;

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4 (ii) The chairman of the house revenue
5 committee, the chairman of the house appropriations
6 committee and two (2) additional members of the house
7 appointed by the speaker of the house, not more than two
8 (2) of which shall be from the same political party; and

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10 (iii) Seven (7) members appointed by the
11 governor.

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13 (b) The task force shall review and evaluate the
14 implications of the state using a zero-based budget process
15 and recommend any legislative changes required for the
16 state to use a zero-based budget process.

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18 (c) Appointments shall be in sufficient time to
19 enable the first meeting of the task force to be held not
20 later than May 1, 2010. Thereafter, task force meetings
21 shall be scheduled upon the call of the cochairmen of the
22 joint legislative committees.

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1 (d) The task force may, if necessary, retain
2 consultants as necessary to fulfill its duties under this
3 section and shall administer contracts for consultants to
4 the legislature as approved by management council. The
5 management council may expend funds appropriated under this
6 section for contractual agreements between the council, on
7 behalf of the task force, and professional consultants
8 retained pursuant to this section. The budget division of
9 the department of administration and information, with the
10 assistance of the legislative service office, shall staff
11 the task force and state agencies shall provide information
12 to the task force as requested in order to fulfill its
13 duties.

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15 (e) Legislative members of the task force shall
16 receive compensation, per diem and travel expenses in the
17 manner and amount as prescribed by W.S. 28-5-101.
18 Remaining task force members who are not state employees
19 shall receive the per diem and mileage at the rate paid
20 members of the Wyoming legislature under W.S. 28-5-101 for
21 each day of actual task force meetings and travel to those
22 meetings.

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1 (f) The task force shall report its findings and
2 recommendations to the joint appropriations interim
3 committee and the joint revenue interim committee by
4 November 1, 2010. The joint committees may forward any
5 legislation necessary to implement task force
6 recommendations in the 2011 legislative session.

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8 (g) Amount is appropriated from the general fund to
9 the department of administration and information for the
10 period commencing on the effective date of this section and
11 ending March 31, 2012, as necessary to fund the task force
12 in carrying out its duties under this section.

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14 (h) Amount is appropriated from the general fund to
15 the legislative service office for the period commencing on
16 the effective date of this section and ending March 31,
17 2012, as necessary to fund the task force in carrying out
18 its duties under this section.

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20 (j) This section is repealed March 31, 2012.

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22 **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon
23 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law

1 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
2 Constitution.

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