

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0126

Zero based budget process.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Quarberg

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the state budget process; authorizing
2 the joint appropriations interim committee to require state
3 agencies to provide zero-based budget requests on a
4 rotating basis as specified; providing a definition;
5 conforming provisions; and providing for an effective date.

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

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 9-2-1002(a) by creating a new
10 paragraph (xiii), 9-2-1011(a) and by creating a new
11 subsection (d), 9-2-1012(a) and 28-1-115(a) by creating a
12 new paragraph (iii) are amended to read:

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14 **9-2-1002. Definitions; powers generally; duties of**
15 **governor; provisions construed; cooperation with**
16 **legislature and judiciary; divisions enumerated.**

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1 (a) As used in this act:

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3 (xiii) "Zero-based budget" means a budget that
4 is prepared without regard to any previous level of
5 services or personnel during any preceding biennium and
6 shall include the information required under W.S.
7 28-1-115(a)(ii).

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9 **9-2-1011. Duties of budget division; preparation of**
10 **standard budget estimates; entities to prepare expanded and**
11 **exception budgets; form; required information; base**
12 **budgets.**

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14 (a) Subject to subsection (c) of this section, the
15 department through the budget division shall prepare
16 standard budget estimates and assist agencies that are
17 directed by the joint appropriations interim committee to
18 prepare zero-based budget estimates. Entities shall prepare
19 zero-based, expanded and exception budgets in a form
20 consistent with the standard budgets as directed by the
21 department.

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1 (d) The budget division shall for purposes of
2 preparing the zero-based budget for an agency include the
3 information required under W.S. 28-1-115(a)(ii).
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5 9-2-1012. Duties of budget division; transmittal of
6 standard budget and manual; return of completed exception
7 and expanded budgets; submission to governor; disposition
8 of excess general fund appropriations; submission of
9 selected budget information to joint appropriations interim
10 committee.

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12 (a) The department through the budget division shall
13 transmit a standard budget and a manual of instruction for
14 the preparation of exception, ~~and~~ expanded and zero-based
15 budgets, as necessary, to entities on or before August 15
16 of odd numbered years. On or before September 15 of odd
17 numbered years entities shall return the completed
18 exception, ~~and~~ expanded and zero-based budgets.

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20 28-1-115. Submission of state agency plans to
21 legislature; contents; purposes.

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23 (a) To assist the legislature in its deliberations,
24 every state agency shall:

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(iii) On or before December 1 of each odd numbered year, a state agency selected by the joint appropriations interim committee shall with the assistance of the budget division of the department of administration and information prepare and submit a zero-based budget to the joint appropriations interim committee for consideration along with the standard budget that is submitted by the governor to the joint appropriations interim committee. On or before January 1 of each odd numbered year, the joint appropriations committee shall select state agencies that shall submit zero-based budget requests for consideration by the committee in that year, provided that all state agencies shall submit zero-based budgets at least once within a ten (10) year period. For purposes of this subsection, "zero-based budget" means a budget that is presented without regard to any previous level of services or personnel during any preceding biennium and shall include the information required under paragraph (ii) of this subsection.

Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2010.

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