

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, 2020:

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14 SALARIES

15	LSO Staff Permanent/Temporary.....	\$6,277,168
16	Legislators - Session.....	1,081,704

1	Legislators - Interim .....	1,924,448
2	Session Staff.....	672,192
3	Employer Paid Benefits .....	3,060,282
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5	IN-STATE TRAVEL	
6	Mileage and Per Diem - Session.....	974,936
7	Mileage and Per Diem - Interim.....	774,082
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9	OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL	
10	Travel Expenses.....	100,800
11	Per Diem.....	135,800
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13	ANNUAL DUES	
14	National Conference of State Legislatures .....	211,923
15	The Energy Council.....	76,800
16	Council of State Governments.....	162,675
17	Other .....	10,520
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19	REGISTRATION FEES.....	65,600
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21	TELECOMMUNICATIONS.....	60,000
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23	ITD SERVICES (Network connections & backup) ...	10,000

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2 GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT [1.] ..... 497,866

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

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7 STATUTES, SESSION LAWS AND DIGESTS ..... 55,000

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9 TOTAL..... \$16,151,796

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11 Footnotes to Section 1:

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13 1. Legislative laptop computers being replaced shall be  
14 sold in accordance with Management Council directives. Any  
15 proceeds received from the sale of any laptop computer  
16 shall be deposited into the general fund and are hereby  
17 reappropriated to the legislative service office to be used  
18 for the purchase of replacement laptop computers and  
19 support systems.

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21 **Section 2.** [Standard Provision-Flex]. The Management  
22 Council may transfer funds from one expense category to

1 another under Section 1 of this act as the activities of  
2 the legislature may require.

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4       **Section 3.** [Standard Provision-Travel]. The  
5 appropriation for out-of-state travel under this act shall  
6 be used to reimburse legislators for documented legislative  
7 travel and per diem expenses to attend out-of-state  
8 meetings including, but not limited to, the National  
9 Conference of State Legislatures, the Council of State  
10 Governments, the Education Commission of the States, the  
11 State Legislative Leaders Foundation and the Energy Council.  
12 Travel authorization and reimbursements shall be in  
13 accordance with policies of the Management Council.

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

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17       (a) Notwithstanding W.S. 9-2-1008, 9-2-1012(e) and  
18 9-4-207(a), the unobligated portions of the following  
19 appropriations shall not revert on June 30, 2018, and are  
20 hereby reappropriated to the legislative service office for  
21 the following purposes:

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1           (i) Any unexpended, unobligated amounts  
2 reappropriated for expenditure by the legislative service  
3 office under 2016 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 79,  
4 Sections 4(a)(i) and 7, are reappropriated for expenditure  
5 by the legislative service office for the period commencing  
6 July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2020. Expenditures of  
7 amounts reappropriated under this paragraph shall be for  
8 professional consulting expertise and other support  
9 necessary to carry out and execute work of the legislature  
10 pertaining to required K-12 education responsibilities,  
11 issues and studies. Professional consulting expertise may  
12 be retained by the legislative service office only upon  
13 approval of the Management Council, and the unexpended,  
14 unobligated amounts may be expended for contractual  
15 agreements between the Council and professional  
16 consultants;

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18           (ii) Any balance remaining on June 30, 2018,  
19 resulting from the sale of legislative laptop computers  
20 prior to that date is appropriated to the legislative  
21 service office to be used for the purchase of replacement  
22 laptop computers and support systems for the period July 1,  
23 2018 through June 30, 2020;

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2 (iii) Any unexpended, unobligated amounts  
3 appropriated for expenditure under 2016 Wyoming Session  
4 Laws Chapter 79, as amended by 2017 Wyoming Session Laws  
5 Chapter 42, are reappropriated for expenditure by the  
6 legislative service office at the direction of the  
7 Management Council for extraordinary expenses of the  
8 legislature and as necessary to supplement any expense  
9 category under section 1 of this act, for the period  
10 commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2020.

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12 (b) This section is effective immediately.

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

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16 (a) There is appropriated one hundred twenty-five  
17 thousand dollars (\$125,000.00) from the general fund to the  
18 legislative service office for continued development and  
19 support of the legislative management system.

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21 (b) This section is effective immediately.

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

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2 (a) From and after the date the state canvassing  
3 board certifies the results of the 2018 general election in  
4 accordance with W.S. 22-16-118, legislators elect and newly  
5 appointed legislators may, to the extent authorized by the  
6 Management Council, receive mileage and per diem at the  
7 same rate as members of the legislature plus an amount  
8 equal to the daily salary paid to legislators for each day  
9 spent at a legislative training function or at a meeting of  
10 an interim committee to which they will be assigned.

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12 (b) There is appropriated from the general fund to  
13 the legislative service office thirty-four thousand dollars  
14 (\$34,000.00) or as much thereof as may be necessary for  
15 purposes of this section.

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17 (c) As used in this section:

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19 (i) "Legislator elect" means a person elected to  
20 the legislature during the 2018 general election who is not  
21 a current member of the legislature and before the person  
22 is duly sworn in;

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1           (ii) "Newly appointed legislator" means a person  
2 appointed after the 2018 general election to fill a vacancy  
3 in the House or Senate and before the person is duly sworn  
4 in.

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

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9           (a) Notwithstanding W.S. 9-2-1008, 9-2-1012(e) and  
10 9-4-207(a), any unexpended, unobligated monies appropriated  
11 from the school foundation program account to the attorney  
12 general under 2016 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 31,  
13 Section 2, Section 015, as amended by 2017 Wyoming Session  
14 Laws, Chapter 120, Section 2, Section 015, for purposes of  
15 the school finance litigation law office shall not revert  
16 on June 30, 2018, and are reappropriated for expenditure by  
17 the legislative service office for the period commencing  
18 July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2020. Expenditures of  
19 amounts reappropriated under this subsection shall be for  
20 professional consulting expertise and other support  
21 necessary to carry out and execute work of the legislature  
22 pertaining to required K-12 education responsibilities,  
23 issues and studies. Professional consulting expertise may



1 be retained by the legislative service office only upon  
2 approval of the Management Council, and the unexpended,  
3 unobligated amounts may be expended for contractual  
4 agreements between the Council and professional  
5 consultants.

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7 (b) This section is effective immediately.

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

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11 (a) There is appropriated two hundred fifty thousand  
12 dollars (\$250,000.00) from the general fund to the  
13 legislative service office to be expended at the direction  
14 of the Management Council for extraordinary expenses of the  
15 legislature and as necessary to supplement any expense  
16 category under section 1 of this act.

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18 (b) This section is effective immediately.

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

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22 (a) There is appropriated thirty thousand dollars  
23 (\$30,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative service

1 office for legislative travel expenses as authorized in this  
2 section.

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4 (b) Subject to available appropriation, legislators  
5 traveling out-of-state, including internationally, in  
6 connection with executive branch or legislatively approved  
7 efforts to expand and diversify Wyoming's energy and  
8 industrial economy or to attract new business enterprises to  
9 the state or to improve access to and growth in domestic and  
10 international markets, are authorized reimbursement of actual  
11 travel expenses, including travel, lodging, meals and  
12 necessary incidentals, provided:

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14 (i) Reimbursement of travel expenses for members  
15 of the legislature to participate in economic  
16 development efforts under this section shall require the  
17 approval of the Management Council;

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19 (ii) In designating members authorized to  
20 receive travel reimbursement under this section, preference  
21 shall be given to members who have expressed an intention  
22 to seek re-election to, or if mid-term to continue to

1 serve in, the Wyoming legislature during the 2019 and 2020  
2 legislative sessions.

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4 (c) This section is effective immediately.

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6 **Section 10.** [Wyoming State Treasurer's Investment  
7 Conference]. There is appropriated twenty thousand dollars  
8 (\$20,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative  
9 service office for payment of registration, mileage and per  
10 diem for legislators attending the Wyoming state treasurer's  
11 investment conference in the 2018 or 2019 interim.  
12 Registration payments shall not exceed three hundred fifty  
13 dollars (\$350.00) per legislator.

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15 **Section 11.** [Effective Dates].

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17 (a) As used in this act, "effective immediately"  
18 means effective immediately upon completion of all acts  
19 necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article  
20 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution. Any appropriation  
21 contained in this act that is effective immediately shall  
22 not lapse until June 30, 2020, unless otherwise specified.

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1           (b) Except as otherwise provided, this act is  
2 effective July 1, 2018.

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