

SENATE FILE NO. SF0005

State Parks-property purchase authorization.

Sponsored by: Joint Travel, Recreation, Wildlife & Cultural  
Resources Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to state parks and cultural resources;  
2 authorizing the purchase of lands and appurtenant buildings  
3 to provide quarters for the state trails program field  
4 office; specifying authority for the supervision,  
5 operation, management and control of the property;  
6 providing definitions; requiring rulemaking; requiring a  
7 report; providing appropriations; and providing for an  
8 effective date.

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

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12 **Section 1.** W.S. 36-4-124 is created to read:

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1           **36-4-124. State trails program field office;**  
2 **authority to buy and maintain; rental; disposal; use of**  
3 **proceeds.**

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5           (a) In consultation with the commission and the  
6 Wyoming trails advisory council, the department may  
7 purchase lands and appurtenant buildings in the name of the  
8 state of Wyoming to provide suitable quarters for the state  
9 trails program field office for the support of the state  
10 trails program under W.S. 36-4-108(b)(iv) and of the  
11 department in carrying out its powers and duties as  
12 prescribed by law.

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14           (b) The department shall have authority for the  
15 supervision, operation, management and control of the state  
16 trails program field office building purchased under this  
17 section. Any expenses associated with the supervision,  
18 operation, management and control of the building,  
19 including for ordinary repairs and maintenance, shall be  
20 paid out of the snowmobile trails account created by W.S.  
21 31-2-409(c) and the off-road recreational vehicle trails  
22 account created by W.S. 31-2-703(c) subject to legislative  
23 appropriation and in proportion to the costs incurred in

1 administering the snowmobile trails program and the Wyoming  
2 off-road recreational vehicle trails program.

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4 (c) The department, in consultation with the  
5 commission, shall have the authority to lease and enter  
6 into contracts with any persons upon terms and conditions  
7 as the department deems appropriate for the supervision,  
8 operation, management and control of the state trails  
9 program field office building. The department may lease  
10 portions of the state trails program field office building  
11 for use by third parties and shall collect rents and  
12 payments arising from the occupancy of those portions of  
13 the building subject to the rules of the department. Funds  
14 received by the department under this subsection shall be  
15 deposited into the snowmobile trails account created by  
16 W.S. 31-2-409(c) and the off-road recreational vehicle  
17 trails account created by W.S. 31-2-703(c) in proportion to  
18 the amount that each account contributes under subsection  
19 (b) of this section.

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21 (d) The department, in consultation with the  
22 commission and the Wyoming trails advisory council, shall  
23 have the authority on behalf of the state to sell the state

1 trails program field office building and to execute any  
2 document of title necessary to convey title to the building  
3 provided:

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5 (i) The sale is made for adequate consideration  
6 and complies with all statutory requirements;

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8 (ii) Proceeds of the sale shall be credited into  
9 the snowmobile trails account created by W.S. 31-2-409(c)  
10 and the off-road recreational vehicle trails account  
11 created by W.S. 31-2-703(c) in proportion to the amount  
12 that each account contributed under subsection (b) of this  
13 section.

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15 (e) The department, in consultation with the  
16 commission, is authorized to adopt rules and regulations  
17 relative to the repair, maintenance, operation, management  
18 and use of the state trails program field office building.  
19 The department shall use the rules adopted by the state  
20 building commission under W.S. 9-5-107(d) as guidelines for  
21 the management of the building. The department shall  
22 provide the assessment required by W.S. 9-5-107(a) through

1 (c) to the state building commission for inclusion in the  
2 commission's report to the legislature.

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4 (f) As used in section:

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6 (i) "Commission" means the Wyoming parks and  
7 cultural resources commission;

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9 (ii) "Department" means the department of state  
10 parks and cultural resources;

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12 (iii) "State trails program field office  
13 building" means real property and any appurtenant buildings  
14 located on the property that is purchased by the department  
15 as authorized by subsection (a) of this section.

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17 **Section 2.** W.S. 9-2-3204(b)(intro), 9-5-107(e),  
18 31-2-409(c) and 31-2-703(c) are amended to read:

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20 **9-2-3204. General services division.**

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22 (b) For the purpose of this subsection the term  
23 "agencies" does not include the University of Wyoming,

1 community college districts, or school districts. It does  
2 not include the department of state parks and cultural  
3 resources under W.S. 36-4-124 for the supervision,  
4 operation, management and control of the state trails  
5 program field office building or department of  
6 transportation except as to paragraphs (xi), (xii) and  
7 (xiii) of this subsection. The department through the  
8 general services division shall:

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10 **9-5-107. Duties and responsibilities with respect to**  
11 **state buildings; state capital construction needs**  
12 **assessment and priorities.**

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14 (e) Rules and procedures adopted under this section  
15 by the state building commission shall be applicable to all  
16 state owned buildings unless the operation, management and  
17 use of the building has been assigned by statute to a  
18 specific state agency. The agency responsible for the  
19 operation and management of a state building exempted by  
20 the provisions of this subsection, shall provide the  
21 assessment required by subsections (a) through (c) of this  
22 section to the state building commission for inclusion in  
23 the commission's report to the legislature. The rules

1 adopted by the commission under subsection (d) of this  
2 section shall be used as guidelines for the management of  
3 state buildings assigned by statute to other state agencies  
4 including the department of state parks and cultural  
5 resources under W.S. 36-4-124 for the supervision,  
6 operation, management and control of the state trails  
7 program field office building, the University of Wyoming,  
8 community college districts, department of transportation,  
9 game and fish commission and state institutions.

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11 **31-2-409. Snowmobile user fee; amount of fee;**  
12 **disposition of fees; account created; duties of department**  
13 **of state parks and cultural resources; duration of decal;**  
14 **exemptions.**

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16 (c) There is hereby created a snowmobile trails  
17 account. Except as provided in this subsection, the monies  
18 collected under this section and forwarded to the  
19 department of state parks and cultural resources shall be  
20 deposited in the account created by this section and may be  
21 expended by the department subject to approval by the  
22 legislature for the administration of the snowmobile trails  
23 program, including for the purposes specified in W.S.

1 36-4-124. All voluntary fees collected under paragraph  
2 (h)(i) of this section shall be deposited in the search and  
3 rescue account created by W.S. 19-13-301(a). All fees  
4 collected under paragraph (h)(ii) of this section shall be  
5 deposited in the wildlife conservation account created by  
6 W.S. 31-2-231(b).

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8 **31-2-703. Required user registration fee; disposition**  
9 **of fees; duties of department of state parks and cultural**  
10 **resources.**

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12 (c) There is created an off-road recreational vehicle  
13 trails account. Except as provided in this subsection, the  
14 fees received by the department of state parks and cultural  
15 resources under this article shall be deposited into the  
16 account created by this subsection and shall be expended by  
17 the department for the administration of the off-road  
18 recreational vehicle trails program, including for the  
19 purposes specified in W.S. 36-4-124. All voluntary fees  
20 collected under paragraph (e)(i) of this section shall be  
21 deposited in the search and rescue account created by W.S.  
22 19-13-301(a). All fees collected under paragraph (e)(ii) of



1 this section shall be deposited in the wildlife  
2 conservation account created by W.S. 31-2-231(b).

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4 **Section 3.** The department of state parks and cultural  
5 resources shall report to the joint travel, recreation,  
6 wildlife and cultural resources interim committee not later  
7 than September 1, 2022 to provide an update on the purchase  
8 of any lands and appurtenant buildings as authorized by  
9 this act.

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11 **Section 4.** There is appropriated one million three  
12 hundred thousand dollars (\$1,300,000.00) in unobligated  
13 funds from the snowmobile trails account created by W.S.  
14 31-2-409(c) and one million three hundred thousand dollars  
15 (\$1,300,000.00) in unobligated funds from the off-road  
16 recreational vehicle trails account created by W.S.  
17 31-2-703(c) to the department of state parks and cultural  
18 resources for the purpose of purchasing land and  
19 appurtenant buildings in accordance with W.S. 36-4-124(a)  
20 as created under section 1 of this act. Notwithstanding any  
21 other provision of law, this appropriation shall not be  
22 transferred or expended for any other purpose and any  
23 unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from this

1 appropriation shall revert in equal proportion to the  
2 snowmobile trails account and the off-road recreational  
3 vehicle trails account on June 30, 2023.

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5       **Section 5.** This act is effective immediately upon  
6 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law  
7 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming  
8 Constitution.

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