

SENATE FILE NO. SF0107

Federal education funds study.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Driskill, Anderson, J.D. (SD02),  
Dockstader and Wasserburger and  
Representative(s) Paxton

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to federal education dollars; requiring a  
2 study on the amount and impact of federal dollars received  
3 by this state for purposes of public education programs;  
4 specifying responsibility for the study; imposing reporting  
5 requirements; providing an appropriation; and providing for  
6 an effective date.

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

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10 **Section 1.**

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12 (a) For the period commencing on the effective date  
13 of this act and ending June 30, 2016, up to one hundred  
14 twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000.00) is appropriated  
15 from the school foundation program account to the economic

1 analysis division of the Wyoming department of  
2 administration and information for purposes of executing  
3 this section. The division shall conduct a study of  
4 federal public education funds which shall include the  
5 following:

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7 (i) Identification of the total amount of  
8 federal dollars received by this state during the most  
9 recently completed fiscal year for purposes of public  
10 education programs provided to resident school age  
11 children, including pre-kindergarten programs;

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13 (ii) An analysis of the impact of these federal  
14 funds on the educational programs provided within this  
15 state, clearly differentiating the impact at the state  
16 level, school district level and community level, and  
17 differentiating costs versus benefits accruing to the state  
18 in receiving these funds;

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20 (iii) An analysis of the ramifications of  
21 eliminating state acceptance of federal public education  
22 dollars, attaching funds to specific programs, employment  
23 and student populations served.

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2 (b) The division may expend amounts appropriated  
3 under this section for the retention of professional  
4 services as necessary to conduct the study required by this  
5 section. On or before October 1, 2015, a final report on  
6 study findings shall be presented to the joint education  
7 interim committee, the joint appropriations interim  
8 committee and to any select committee created by the  
9 legislature to conduct recalibration of the education  
10 resource block grant school funding model required by W.S.  
11 21-13-309(t).

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13 **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon  
14 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law  
15 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming  
16 Constitution.

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