

SENATE FILE NO. SF0131

Regulatory reduction task force-2.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Kolb, Hicks and Nethercott and  
Representative(s) Bear, Neiman and Stith

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the legislature; continuing the  
2 regulatory reduction task force; specifying members and  
3 duties of the task force; requiring reports; providing a  
4 termination date for the task force; providing  
5 appropriations; 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.**

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11 (a) The regulatory reduction task force created by  
12 management council in 2023 is hereby continued. The task  
13 force shall consist of the following members:

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15 (i) Members of the legislature, as follows:

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2 (A) Three (3) members of the Wyoming house  
3 of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house.  
4 The speaker of the house shall designate from one (1) of  
5 the members appointed under this subparagraph as co-  
6 chairman of the task force;

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8 (B) Three (3) members of the Wyoming  
9 senate, appointed by the president of the senate. The  
10 president of the senate shall designate from one (1) of the  
11 members appointed under this subparagraph as co-chairman of  
12 the task force.

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14 (ii) Three (3) members of the task force  
15 appointed jointly by the president of the senate and the  
16 speaker of the house, based on the needs and subjects to be  
17 studied by the task force;

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19 (iii) Members of the public appointed by the  
20 governor, as follows:

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22 (A) A member representing the oil and gas  
23 industry;

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2 (B) A member representing the mining  
3 industry;

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5 (C) A member representing the agriculture  
6 industry;

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8 (D) A member representing business in  
9 Wyoming;

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11 (E) A member representing Wyoming local  
12 governments who is an elected official;

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14 (F) A member representing the commercial or  
15 residential building industry.

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17 (iv) Members of the executive department of  
18 state government, to serve as ex officio, nonvoting  
19 members, as follows:

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21 (A) The director of the department of  
22 environmental quality, or the director's designee;

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1                   (B) The director of the department of  
2 agriculture, or the director's designee;

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4                   (C) The state fire marshal or the marshal's  
5 designee.

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7           (b) The task force shall:

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9                   (i) Identify areas where Wyoming state agencies  
10 and other governmental entities can reduce the regulatory  
11 burden for Wyoming's industries;

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13                   (ii) Identify, develop and propose any changes  
14 in law to effectuate any reductions identified in paragraph  
15 (i) of this subsection;

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17                   (iii) Not later than October 1 of each year,  
18 report to the governor, management council and any  
19 applicable committee of the legislature on the work of the  
20 task force, including any recommendations for legislation  
21 for consideration by an appropriate committee.

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1           (c) The task force shall be staffed by the  
2 legislative service office. The department of environmental  
3 quality and the department of agriculture shall provide  
4 assistance to the task force upon request.

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6           (d) The legislative members of the task force shall  
7 receive salary, per diem and travel expenses in the manner  
8 and amount prescribed by W.S. 28-5-101. Task force members  
9 who are not legislators and are not government employees  
10 shall receive salary, per diem and mileage in the amount  
11 provided for members of the Wyoming legislature under W.S.  
12 28-5-101. Task force members who are government employees  
13 or officials shall be considered to be acting within the  
14 scope of regular employment when conducting the official  
15 business of the task force and shall receive their regular  
16 pay without additional compensation, except that those  
17 members shall receive mileage and per diem as provided for  
18 other members of the task force under this subsection if  
19 they are not reimbursed by their employer.

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21           (e) The task force shall terminate on December 31,  
22 2025.

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1           **Section 2.**

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3           (a) There is appropriated fifty-five thousand dollars  
4 (\$55,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative  
5 service office for purposes of providing salary, mileage  
6 and per diem to the legislative members of the regulatory  
7 reduction task force appointed under section 1(a)(i) of  
8 this act. This appropriation shall be for the period  
9 beginning with the effective date of this act and ending  
10 June 30, 2026. This appropriation shall not be transferred  
11 or expended for any other purpose and any unexpended,  
12 unobligated funds remaining from this appropriation shall  
13 revert as provided by law on June 30, 2026.

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15           (b) There is appropriated fifty-five thousand dollars  
16 (\$55,000.00) from the general fund to the office of the  
17 governor for purposes of providing salary, mileage and per  
18 diem to the members of the regulatory reduction task force  
19 appointed under section 1(a)(iii) of this act and for  
20 providing mileage and per diem for members of the task  
21 force appointed under section 1(a)(ii) of this act, subject  
22 to section 1(d) of this act. This appropriation shall be  
23 for the period beginning with the effective date of this

1 act and ending June 30, 2026. This appropriation shall not  
2 be transferred or expended for any other purpose and any  
3 unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from this  
4 appropriation shall revert as provided by law on June 30,  
5 2026.

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7 **Section 3.** This act is effective immediately upon  
8 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law  
9 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming  
10 Constitution.

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