

ENROLLED ACT NO. 68, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING  
2021 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to the military department; creating a fund for the deposit of monies from grazing fees at military training areas; authorizing the adjutant general to administer the fund and expend monies for range management and grazing operations; requiring annual reports; providing for a continuous appropriation; providing for an appropriation; and providing for an effective date.

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

**Section 1.** W.S. 19-7-209 is created to read:

**19-7-209. Military department range management operations; account; administration; rulemaking.**

(a) There is created the military department range management and grazing program. The military department shall administer range management and grazing operations at Camp Guernsey and any other Wyoming national guard training areas that are owned in fee by the military department and that are not state lands as defined in W.S. 36-1-101(a)(iv). The military department range management and grazing program shall:

(i) Oversee the day to day range management and grazing operations within the training area;

(ii) Arrange for personnel and materials for range improvements, including maintenance and repair of fencing, vegetation management, water development, wildfire rehabilitation and restoration and management of invasive species;

(iii) Determine animal unit grazing usage and needs and develop and monitor forage use plans;

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(iv) Maintain lessee and neighbor relationships;

(v) Respond to required cultural and environmental assessments related to grazing management.

(b) The military department range management and grazing account is created. Monies received from the range management and grazing operations authorized in subsection (a) of this section shall be credited to the account, except as otherwise provided in this subsection. Funds in the military department range management and grazing account in an amount not to exceed two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00) per biennium are continuously appropriated to the military department and shall only be used for purposes of this section. The state treasurer shall invest monies received under this paragraph in accordance with law and the investment earnings received therefrom shall be deposited into the military department range management operations account. From the monies received from the operations authorized in subsection (a) of this section, any amount in excess of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00) in the account at the end of each fiscal biennium shall be deposited into the general fund.

(c) The military department shall promulgate rules to administer this section.

(d) The adjutant general shall report annually by October 15 to the joint transportation, highways and military affairs interim committee regarding all income to and expenditures from the military department range management operations account.

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**Section 2.** There is appropriated fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) from the general fund to the military department range management program created in section 1 of this act. This appropriation shall be for the period beginning with the effective date of this act and ending June 30, 2022. This appropriation shall not be transferred or expended for any other purpose and any unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from this appropriation shall revert as provided by law on June 30, 2022.

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

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Governor

TIME APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

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Chief Clerk