

Extending sunset date for the office of
consumer advocate.

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FISCAL NOTE

No significant fiscal or personnel impact.

The bill extends the sunset provision for the Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA) for five years, from July 1, 2023 to July 1, 2028.

The current 2021-22 biennium budget for the OCA is \$2,004,246 (Special Revenue Fund). The OCA indicates that about 78% of the OCA budget is devoted to fixed costs (i.e. personnel expense, rent and administrative services). The OCA's authorized position count is six, the same as it was when the OCA was created in 2003. The OCA shares the costs of administrative services with the Public Service Commission (i.e. payroll, IT services, etc.). The OCA is funded through a special assessment on the gross revenues of Wyoming utilities. The OCA anticipates that the extension of the OCA's sunset would have no fiscal impact on the OCA or the Public Service Commission.

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