SF0143	Wyoming freedom scholarship act-2.

Sponsored By: Senator(s) Steinmetz, Baldwin, Biteman, Boner, Brennan, Cooper, Driskill, Hutchings, Kinskey, Laursen, D and Salazar and Representative(s) Allemand, Andrew, Angelos, Banks, Bear, Davis, Eklund, Haroldson, Heiner, Hornok, Jennings, Knapp, Lawley, Locke, Neiman, Niemiec, O'Hearn, Ottman, Pendergraft, Penn, Rodriguez-Williams, Singh, Slagle, Smith, Stith, Strock, Styvar, Tarver, Trujillo, Ward, Washut and Winter

AN ACT relating to education; creating the Wyoming Freedom Scholarship Act; authorizing education savings accounts; specifying legal proceedings; creating an account; providing for a transfer of funds to the account; providing for the use and administration of education savings accounts for education; providing powers and duties of the state treasurer; providing rulemaking authority; specifying that a qualified school is not an agent of the state or federal government; establishing an oversight committee; making conforming amendments; authorizing a temporary committee as specified; providing an appropriation; and providing for effective dates.

1/20/2023   Bill Number Assigned
1/24/2023   S Received for Introduction
1/24/2023   S Introduced and Referred to S04 - Education
1/30/2023   S04 - Education:Recommend Amend and Do Pass 4-1-0-0-0

ROLL CALL
Ayes: Senator(s) Biteman, Brennan, Scott, Steinmetz
Nays: Senator Rothfuss
Ayes 4   **Nays** 1   **Excused** 0   **Absent** 0   **Conflicts** 0

1/30/2023   :Rerefer to S02 - Appropriations
1/31/2023   S02 - Appropriations:Recommend Do Pass 3-2-0-0-0

ROLL CALL
Ayes: Senator(s) Anderson, Kinskey, Salazar
Nays: Senator(s) Gierau, Nethercott
Ayes 3   **Nays** 2   **Excused** 0   **Absent** 0   **Conflicts** 0

1/31/2023   S Placed on General File

SF0143SS001/ADOPTED
Page 5-liine 17   After "act." delete balance of line.

Page 5-lines 18-23   Delete entirely.

Page 6-line 12   Delete "monthly" and insert "quarterly".

Page 7-line 15   After "facility" insert ". The tutoring services shall not be provided by an ESA student's immediate family;".

Page 10-lines 9-12   Delete entirely and renumber as necessary.

Page 10-line 14   Delete "(B)" and insert "(A)".

Page 10-line 20   Delete "(C)" and insert "(B)".

Page 11-line 1   Delete "(D)" and insert "(C)".

Page 12-line 16   After "treasurer" delete balance of line.

Page 12-line 17   Delete "applications year round and".

Page 13-line 14   Delete "and".

Page 13-after line 14   Insert:

     "(iv) If the number of applications exceeds the available scholarship funds for a school year, the students shall be selected on a first come, first served basis, except enrollment preference shall be given to the following students:

          (A) An eligible student who in the previous school used a scholarship account; or

          (B) A sibling of an eligible student who:

               (I) Receives scholarship funds from a scholarship account at the time the sibling applied for a scholarship account; or

               (II) Received scholarship funds in the school year immediately preceding the school year in which the sibling applies for a scholarship account; and".

Page 13-line 16   Delete "(iv)" and insert "(v)".

Page 14-line 2   After "shall" insert "annually".

Page 14-line 3   Delete ":".

Page 14-line 5   Delete "(i)".

Page 14-line 6   Delete "; and" insert ".".

Page 14-lines 8-13   Delete entirely. SCOTT, CHAIRMAN

SF0143SW001/ADOPTED
Page 1-line 10   After "amendments;" insert "authorizing a temporary committee as specified;".

Page 23-line 7   Delete "one (1) year" and insert "four (4) years".

Page 32-line 18   After "**Section 4."** insert "(a)".

Page 32-after line 23   Insert:

     "(b) The state treasurer may establish and appoint a temporary committee of up to five (5) members for the purpose of advising and assisting with the promulgation of rules under subsection (a) of this section. The members of the committee shall serve without compensation and the committee, if formed, shall dissolve not later than January 1, 2025." BRENNAN

1/31/2023   S COW:Passed

SF0143S2001/FAILED
Page 16-line 19   After "ESAs" delete balance of line and insert ";".

Page 16-lines 20 through 23   Delete entirely.

Page 33-lines 2 through 10   Delete entirely and insert:

        "**Section 5.** 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.". STEINMETZ

2/1/2023   S 2nd Reading:Passed
2/2/2023   S 3rd Reading:Passed 17-14-0-0-0

                                 ROLL CALL
Ayes: Senator(s) Baldwin, Biteman, Boner, Bouchard, Brennan, Dockstader,
Ellis, French, Hicks, Hutchings, Ide, Kinskey, Laursen, Mckeown, Salazar, Scott,
Steinmetz
Nays: Senator(s) Anderson, Barlow, Case, Cooper, Furphy, Gierau, Jones, Kolb,
Landen, Nethercott, Pappas, President Driskill, Rothfuss, Schuler
Ayes 17   **Nays** 14   **Excused** 0   **Absent** 0   **Conflicts** 0

2/2/2023   H Received for Introduction
2/24/2023   H Did not Consider for Introduction