

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0006

Trona valuation.

Sponsored by: Joint Minerals, Business and Economic
Development Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to taxation and revenue; providing for the
2 valuation of trona as specified; providing for a report;
3 and providing for an effective date.

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

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 39-14-303(b) (ii) is amended to read:

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9 **39-14-303. Imposition.**

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11 (b) Basis of tax (valuation). The following shall
12 apply:

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14 (ii) The department shall calculate the value of
15 trona ore for severance and ad valorem tax purposes by
16 using the individual producer's fair market value of soda

1 ash f.o.b. plant multiplied by the industry factor divided
2 by the individual producer's trona to soda ash ratio less
3 exempt royalties. The industry factor shall be ~~calculated~~
4 ~~by the department using a combination of the reported~~
5 ~~production for the two (2) previous calendar years by~~
6 ~~dividing the composite trona value per ton of soda ash by~~
7 ~~the composite soda ash sales price. The minerals division~~
8 ~~of the department of audit shall conduct an audit of the~~
9 ~~trona industry not later than December 31, 1990. The~~
10 ~~information shall be provided to the department of revenue~~
11 ~~to establish the industry factor. The factor will be~~
12 ~~recomputed at two (2) year intervals and will be based on~~
13 ~~an average of the data for the two (2) prior years. The new~~
14 ~~factor will be applied prospectively thirty-two and five-~~
15 ~~tenths percent (32.5%);~~

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17 **Section 2.** The department of revenue shall review the
18 industry factor established in W.S. 39-14-303(b)(ii) and
19 report to the joint minerals, business and economic
20 development interim committee on or before December 1, 2005
21 regarding the application of the industry factor and any
22 recomputation of the factor necessary to continue to
23 accurately reflect full fair market value of trona ore
24 production.

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2 **Section 3.** This act is effective January 1, 2004.

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