STATE OF WYOMING

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0111

Public lands-mineral leases.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Miller, Boswell, Edwards, Lockhart and McOmie and Senator(s) Meier

A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to public lands; specifying conditions for
- 2 mineral leases of state lands; and providing for an
- 3 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. 36-6-102 is amended to read:

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- 9 36-6-102. Submission, custody and confidentiality of
- 10 subsurface log reports.

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- 12 (a) Contingent upon the leasing of any state or state
- 13 school lands for coal, uranium or other mineral
- 14 exploration, the board of land commissioners shall require
- 15 copies of all electrical, gamma-ray neutron, resistivity or
- 16 other types of subsurface log reports, and all assay

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1 reports received on any rock cores or cuttings to be

- 2 submitted to the office of the state geologist within three
- 3 (3) years ninety (90) days after completion of drilling.
- 4 All copies thereof will become the property of the state to
- 5 be retained within the permanent files of the Wyoming
- 6 geological survey for the exclusive use of the staff, as
- 7 required by law for evaluation purposes. Reports received
- 8 by the oil and gas conservation commission shall qualify
- 9 for this provision.

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- 11 (b) All subsurface log reports and assay reports will
- 12 be held confidential for a period of seven (7) three (3)
- 13 years after received by the state geologist or until the
- 14 expiration of the lease, whichever is the lesser period of
- 15 time. If the lease is being held by production, all reports
- 16 will be held confidential until the lease is terminated.

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18 Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2003.

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20 (END)