

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0187

Marihuana impact study.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Krone and Northrup

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to controlled substances; providing for a  
2 study of marihuana impacts as specified; requiring a  
3 report; providing an appropriation; and providing for an  
4 effective date.

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

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8 **Section 1.**

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10 (a) The legislature of the state of Wyoming has  
11 resolved not to take action in revising its laws concerning  
12 marihuana until the legislature receives the results of the  
13 study as provided in this act.

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15 (b) The governor shall study the effects and impacts  
16 of legalizing marihuana in other states. The governor shall

1 designate a study oversight organization, which may be a  
2 state agency, more than one (1) state agency or an ad hoc  
3 organization created by the governor to conduct the study.  
4 One (1) member of the senate designated by the president of  
5 the senate and one (1) member of the house designated by  
6 the speaker of the house shall be designated to work with  
7 the study oversight organization in the preparation of the  
8 study under this act. The study shall consider:

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10 (i) Criminal and other legal impacts related to  
11 the legalization of marihuana;

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13 (ii) Health outcomes related to the legalization  
14 of marihuana;

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16 (iii) Impacts to state revenue related to the  
17 legalization of marihuana.

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19 (c) The division of criminal investigation, the  
20 department of revenue, the department of health and any  
21 other state agency as deemed appropriate by the governor  
22 shall provide assistance and support in conducting the  
23 study under this act. The governor shall report the results

1 of the study to the joint labor, health and social services  
2 interim committee and the joint judiciary interim committee  
3 not later than November 1, 2015.

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5 (d) There is appropriated from the general fund  
6 fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) to the governor's  
7 office. That amount shall only be expended for the purpose  
8 of conducting the study as provided in this act.  
9 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, this  
10 appropriation shall not be transferred or expended for any  
11 other purpose and any unexpended, unobligated funds  
12 remaining from this appropriation shall revert as provided  
13 by law on June 30, 2016. This appropriation shall not be  
14 included in the governor's 2017-2018 biennial budget  
15 request.

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17 **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon  
18 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law  
19 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming  
20 Constitution.

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