

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0291

Department of health facilities.

Sponsored by: House Appropriations Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to department of health facilities;
2 providing authorization for construction and renovation at
3 the Wyoming state hospital and Wyoming life resource
4 center; providing an appropriation for the construction and
5 renovation at the Wyoming state hospital and Wyoming life
6 resource center; providing a contingent appropriation with
7 authority for an interfund loan for the construction and
8 renovation at the Wyoming state hospital and Wyoming life
9 resource center; reappropriating funds related to the level
10 III design study for the Wyoming state hospital and Wyoming
11 life resource center; continuing the task force on
12 department of health facilities; specifying duties of the
13 task force; repealing prior law related to the task force;
14 providing an appropriation for the task force; and
15 providing for an effective date.

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

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3 **Section 1.**

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5 (a) The governor and department of health, through
6 the state construction department, are authorized to
7 conduct all preconstruction and construction activities
8 necessary to plan, contract for, construct and renovate
9 facilities at the Wyoming state hospital and Wyoming life
10 resource center, consistent with the Level III design study
11 authorized by 2016 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 97,
12 Section 4.

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14 (b) The state construction department may enter into
15 contracts and retain experts as necessary to complete the
16 planning, construction and renovation authorized by
17 subsection (a) of this section. The department shall keep
18 the department of health and joint legislative and
19 executive task force on department of health facilities
20 ("task force") informed of all contracting activities. No
21 contract shall be executed without the approval of the
22 governor. No contract authorized by this subsection shall
23 be subject to the Professional Architectural, Engineering

1 and Land Surveying Services Procurement Act, W.S. 9-2-1027
2 through 9-2-1033.

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4 (c) All funds remaining from the nine million dollars
5 (\$9,000,000.00) appropriated by 2016 Wyoming Session Laws,
6 Chapter 97, Section 4 from the state facilities
7 construction account to the department of administration
8 and information for the purpose of procuring, developing
9 and implementing a Level III design study for the Wyoming
10 state hospital and Wyoming life resource center are
11 reappropriated to the state construction department for the
12 purpose of completing the Level III design study and for
13 the purposes specified in subsections (a) and (b) of this
14 section.

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16 (d) There is appropriated one hundred thirty-five
17 million two hundred thousand dollars (\$135,200,000.00) from
18 the state facilities construction account to the state
19 construction department. This appropriation shall be
20 expended only for the purposes specified in subsections (a)
21 and (b) of this section.

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1 (e) For the period beginning with the effective date
2 of this act and ending October 15, 2017, prior to making
3 any deposits under W.S. 9-4-719(q) to the legislative
4 stabilization reserve account, four million three hundred
5 thousand dollars (\$4,300,000.00) which would otherwise be
6 deposited to the legislative stabilization reserve account
7 under W.S. 9-4-719(q) shall be distributed to the state
8 facilities construction account created in W.S. 9-4-221.
9 Funds deposited to the state facilities construction
10 account under this subsection shall be immediately
11 appropriated to the state construction department for the
12 purposes specified in subsections (a) and (b) of this
13 section and shall be expended for those purposes if the
14 amounts appropriated in subsections (c) and (d) of this
15 section are insufficient. In addition to the authority
16 provided under W.S. 9-1-417, the state treasurer and the
17 state auditor may utilize up to four million three hundred
18 thousand dollars (\$4,300,000.00) in interfund loans from
19 the unexpended, unobligated balance of the legislative
20 stabilization reserve account for deposit to the state
21 facilities construction account as necessary to meet
22 contract obligations of the state construction department
23 incurred for purposes of this act.

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2 **Section 2.**

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4 (a) The joint legislative and executive task force on
5 department of health facilities, created in 2014 Wyoming
6 Session Laws, Chapter 26, Section 329 as amended by 2015
7 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 142 and as continued by 2016
8 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 97, Section 4, is hereby
9 continued.

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11 (b) The task force shall be comprised of:

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13 (i) Three (3) members of the senate, appointed
14 by the president of the senate;

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16 (ii) Three (3) members of the house of
17 representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house;

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19 (iii) Two (2) members of executive branch
20 departments appointed by the governor. In considering
21 appointments to the task force who are not members of the
22 legislature, the governor shall consider the expertise
23 required to finalize a Level III design study and oversee

1 construction and renovation at the Wyoming state hospital
2 and Wyoming life resource center.

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4 (c) The task force shall implement the
5 recommendations for its continued work as provided in the
6 task force's November 1, 2016 Interim Report on Activities,
7 on file with the legislative service office, including:

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9 (i) Providing oversight and recommendations to
10 the governor, the department of health and the state
11 construction department for the finalization of the Wyoming
12 state hospital and Wyoming life resource center Level III
13 design study as authorized by 2016 Wyoming Session Laws,
14 Chapter 97, Section 4;

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16 (ii) Providing oversight and recommendations to
17 the governor, the department of health and the state
18 construction department on all preconstruction and
19 construction activities necessary to plan, contract for,
20 construct and renovate facilities at the Wyoming state
21 hospital and Wyoming life resource center, consistent with
22 the final Level III design study;

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1 (iii) Providing oversight and recommendations to
2 the governor, the department of health and the state
3 construction department necessary to assure that the
4 Wyoming state hospital and life resource center are
5 planned, constructed and renovated in a manner which
6 considers impacts on available federal funding;

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8 (iv) Providing oversight and recommendations to
9 the governor, the department of health and the state
10 construction department for the expenditure of funds for
11 construction and renovation at the Wyoming state hospital
12 and Wyoming life resource center within the project budget;

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14 (v) Collaborating with and receiving regular
15 reports from the state construction department, the
16 department of administration and information, the
17 department of health, working groups, architects, owner's
18 representatives, planners, construction companies,
19 contractors and all other entities involved with the
20 construction and renovation authorized by this act in order
21 to collect information, provide appropriate oversight and
22 make informed recommendations;

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1 (vi) Assuring that the state building commission
2 is kept informed of progress on the construction and
3 renovation authorized by this act;

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5 (vii) Providing interim reports on the
6 activities of the task force to the joint appropriations
7 committee and the joint labor, health and social services
8 interim committee not later than November 1 of each year
9 until the construction and renovation required by this act
10 is complete;

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12 (viii) Providing recommendations for legislative
13 action.

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15 (d) The task force shall be staffed by the
16 legislative service office.

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18 (e) The task force shall terminate on June 30 of the
19 year following the year in which construction and
20 renovation at the Wyoming state hospital and Wyoming life
21 resource center is complete and the facilities are
22 occupied.

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1 (f) All funds remaining from the forty thousand
2 dollars (\$40,000.00) appropriated by 2016 Wyoming Session
3 Laws, Chapter 97, Section 4(h) from the general fund to the
4 legislative service office for the purpose of funding
5 salary, mileage and per diem of legislative members of the
6 task force are reappropriated to the legislative service
7 office and any unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from
8 this appropriation shall revert as provided by law on June
9 30 of the year following the year in which construction and
10 renovation at the Wyoming state hospital and Wyoming life
11 resource center is complete and the facilities are
12 occupied.

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14 (g) There is appropriated twenty thousand dollars
15 (\$20,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative
16 service office. This appropriation shall only be expended
17 for the purpose of funding salary, mileage and per diem of
18 legislative members of the task force. Notwithstanding any
19 other provision of law, this appropriation shall not be
20 transferred or expended for any other purpose and any
21 unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from this
22 appropriation shall revert as provided by law on June 30 of
23 the year following the year in which construction and

1 renovation at the Wyoming state hospital and Wyoming life
2 resource center is complete and the facilities are
3 occupied.

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5 **Section 3.** 2016 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 97,
6 Section 4 is repealed.

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8 **Section 4.** This act is effective immediately upon
9 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
10 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
11 Constitution.

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