

ENROLLED ACT NO. 35, SENATE

SIXTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2020 BUDGET SESSION

AN ACT relating to appropriations for the legislature; providing appropriations for the operation of the legislative branch of state government; and providing for effective dates.

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

Section 1. There is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative service office the following specified amounts, or as much thereof as may be necessary, to pay the costs and expenses of the Wyoming legislature through June 30, 2022:

SALARIES

LSO Staff Permanent/Temporary	\$8,694,968
Legislators - Session	1,176,246
Legislators - Interim	1,947,602
Session Staff	649,608
Employer Paid Benefits	4,432,169

IN-STATE TRAVEL

Mileage and Per Diem - Session	1,065,024
Mileage and Per Diem - Interim	860,090

OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL

Travel Expenses	80,800
Per Diem	110,800

ANNUAL DUES

National Conference of State Legislatures	267,587
The Energy Council	76,800
Council of State Governments	217,332
Other	10,520

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REGISTRATION FEES	55,600
TELECOMMUNICATIONS	50,000
ITD SERVICES (Network connections & backup)	10,000
GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT	743,610
(Information technology, copying, supplies and equipment, furniture, contract services, special projects, etc.)	
STATUTES, SESSION LAWS AND DIGESTS	385,000
TOTAL	\$20,833,756

Section 2. [Standard Provision-Flex]. The Management Council may transfer funds from one expense category to another under Section 1 of this act as the activities of the legislature may require.

Section 3. [Standard Provision-Travel]. The appropriation for out-of-state travel under this act shall be used to reimburse legislators for documented legislative travel and per diem expenses to attend out-of-state meetings in accordance with policies of the Management Council.

Section 4. [Carry Forward of Prior Appropriations].

(a) Notwithstanding W.S. 9-2-1008, 9-2-1012(e) and 9-4-207(a), the unobligated portions of the following appropriations shall not revert on June 30, 2020, and are hereby reappropriated to the legislative service office for the following purposes:

- (i) Any unexpended, unobligated amounts

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reappropriated for expenditure by the legislative service office under 2018 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 24, Sections 4(a)(i) and 7, are reappropriated for expenditure by the legislative service office for the period commencing July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2022. Expenditures of amounts reappropriated under this paragraph shall be for professional consulting expertise and other support necessary to carry out and execute work of the legislature pertaining to required K-12 education responsibilities, issues and studies. Professional consulting expertise may be retained by the legislative service office only upon approval of the Management Council, and the unexpended, unobligated amounts may be expended for contractual agreements between the Council and professional consultants;

(ii) Any balance remaining on June 30, 2020, resulting from the sale of legislative laptop computers prior to that date is appropriated to the legislative service office to be used for the purchase of replacement laptop computers and support systems for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022;

(iii) Any unexpended, unobligated amounts appropriated for expenditure under 2018 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 24 are reappropriated for expenditure by the legislative service office at the direction of the Management Council for extraordinary expenses of the legislature and as necessary to supplement any expense category under this act, for the period commencing July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2022.

(b) This section is effective immediately.

Section 5. [Technology Project].

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(a) There is appropriated one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative service office for continued development and support of the legislative management system.

(b) This section is effective immediately.

Section 6. [New Legislator Training Compensation].

(a) From and after the date the state canvassing board certifies the results of the 2020 general election in accordance with W.S. 22-16-118, legislators elect and newly appointed legislators may, to the extent authorized by the Management Council, receive mileage and per diem at the same rate as members of the legislature plus an amount equal to the daily salary paid to legislators for each day spent at a legislative training function or at a meeting of an interim committee to which they will be assigned.

(b) There is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative service office thirty-four thousand dollars (\$34,000.00) or as much thereof as may be necessary for purposes of this section.

(c) As used in this section:

(i) "Legislator elect" means a person elected to the legislature during the 2020 general election who is not a current member of the legislature and before the person is duly sworn in;

(ii) "Newly appointed legislator" means a person appointed after the 2020 general election to fill a vacancy in the House or Senate and before the person is duly sworn in.

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Section 7. [Reappropriation of School Foundation Program Account Funds].

(a) Notwithstanding W.S. 9-2-1008, 9-2-1012(e) and 9-4-207(a), any unexpended, unobligated amounts appropriated from the school foundation program account to the attorney general under 2018 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 134, Section 2, Section 015, as amended by 2019 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 80, Section 2, Section 015, for purposes of the law office shall not revert on June 30, 2020. On July 1, 2020 these amounts are reappropriated for expenditure by the legislative service office for the period commencing July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2022. Expenditures of amounts reappropriated under this subsection shall be for professional consulting expertise and other support necessary to carry out and execute work of the legislature pertaining to required K-12 education responsibilities, issues and studies. Professional consulting expertise may be retained by the legislative service office only upon approval of the Management Council, and the unexpended, unobligated amounts may be expended for contractual agreements between the Council and professional consultants.

(b) This section is effective immediately.

Section 8. [Special Contingency].

(a) There is appropriated two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative service office to be expended at the direction of the Management Council for extraordinary expenses of the legislature and as necessary to supplement any expense category under this act.

(b) This section is effective immediately.

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Section 9. [Economic Development Authorized Travel].

(a) Notwithstanding W.S. 9-2-1008, 9-2-1012(e) and 9-4-207(a), any unexpended, unobligated amounts appropriated for expenditure under 2016 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 79, Section 10, as amended by 2017 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 42, and 2018 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 24, Section 9 are reappropriated to the legislative service office for legislative travel expenses as authorized in this section.

(b) Subject to available appropriation, legislators traveling out-of-state, including internationally, in connection with executive branch or legislatively approved efforts to expand and diversify Wyoming's energy and industrial economy or to attract new business enterprises to the state or to improve access to and growth in domestic and international markets, are authorized reimbursement of actual travel expenses, including travel, lodging, meals and necessary incidentals, provided:

(i) Reimbursement of travel expenses for members of the legislature to participate in economic development efforts under this section shall require the approval of the Management Council;

(ii) In designating members authorized to receive travel reimbursement under this section, preference shall be given to members who have expressed an intention to seek re-election to, or if mid-term to continue to serve in, the Wyoming legislature during the 2021 and 2022 legislative sessions.

(c) This section is effective immediately.

Section 10. [Wyoming State Treasurer's Investment

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Conference]. There is appropriated twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative service office for payment of registration, mileage and per diem for legislators attending the Wyoming state treasurer's investment conference in the 2020 or 2021 interim. Registration payments shall not exceed three hundred fifty dollars (\$350.00) per legislator.

Section 11. [Facilities Appropriations].

(a) There is appropriated two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative service office to hire a consultant and other qualified professionals to assist with the design, procurement, ordering, purchasing and installation of office furnishings, other furnishings, fixtures and equipment and owner identified improvements within the capitol building and capitol extension. Contracts shall be awarded under this subsection by a vote of a majority of the members of the State Building Commission and a vote of the majority of the members of the Management Council.

(b) Management Council may also engage the services of consultants and other qualified professionals to procure the items listed in this subsection using funds appropriated under this subsection. There is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative service office:

(i) One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) for miscellaneous furnishings and projects;

(ii) Ninety-one thousand dollars (\$91,000.00) for room management equipment and professional fees;

(iii) Five hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$525,000.00) for video conferencing and video streaming in

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the ten (10) public meeting rooms in the capitol and capitol extension.

(c) Funds appropriated under this section shall be expended pursuant to all requirements of law, including the requirements of article 3, section 31 of the Wyoming constitution.

(d) This section is effective immediately.

Section 12. [Legislative Redistricting]. There is appropriated two hundred eighty-five thousand dollars (\$285,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative service office to fund hardware, software, staff support and committee meetings required for legislative redistricting following the 2020 census.

Section 13. [CSG Annual Meeting]. There is appropriated one hundred twenty-five thousand seven hundred dollars (\$125,700.00) from the general fund to the legislative service office for members of the legislature and staff of the legislative service office to attend the 2020 annual meeting of the Council of State Governments.

Section 14. [Transportation Commission Liaisons]. There is appropriated thirty-eight thousand dollars (\$38,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative service office for payment of salary, mileage and per diem for two (2) legislative liaisons to attend meetings of the transportation commission. The president of the senate and the speaker of the house shall each appoint one (1) member to act as a legislative liaison to the transportation commission.

Section 15. [Effective Dates].

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(a) As used in this act, "effective immediately" means 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. Any appropriation contained in this act that is effective immediately shall not lapse until June 30, 2022, unless otherwise specified.

(b) Except as otherwise provided, this act is effective July 1, 2020.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

Chief Clerk