

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0121

Legislative committees-interim topics.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Jennings, Edwards, Gray,  
Laursen, Miller, Salazar, Styvar, Tass and  
Washut and Senator(s) Biteman and James

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the legislature; authorizing joint  
2 interim committees to select interim topics; prohibiting  
3 management council from assigning or rejecting interim  
4 topics for joint interim committees; making conforming  
5 amendments; requiring management council policy changes;  
6 and providing for an effective date.

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

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 28-8-104(b) through (d) is amended to  
11 read:

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13 **28-8-104. Direction by legislature during sessions;**  
14 **joint interim committees; requests for services;**

1 establishment of priorities; appointment of select  
2 committees; vacancies; enlarging committees.

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4 (b) When the legislature is not in regular or special  
5 session, the respective standing committees of the house  
6 and senate shall function as joint interim committees. Each  
7 of these interim committees shall select a prioritized list  
8 of interim topics to study and consider when the  
9 legislature is not in regular or special session. Each  
10 interim committee may request the office to perform  
11 specific studies and services for interim topics that the  
12 interim committee selected conditioned only upon ~~receipt of~~  
13 ~~prior approval of the committee's request by the management~~  
14 ~~council. All priorities based upon~~ limitation of time and  
15 appropriation of the office ~~shall be as~~ established by the  
16 management council and followed by the interim committees  
17 and individual legislators. Any specific study or service  
18 that is approved by ~~the management council~~ an interim  
19 committee, including bill drafting and prefiling, shall be  
20 done under the supervision of the appropriate interim  
21 committee or the individual legislator. The management  
22 council shall not assign or reject any interim topics  
23 selected by a joint interim committee.

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2 (c) The management council shall have the right, when  
3 a joint interim committee is not ~~performing its assigned~~  
4 conducting a study as part of a prioritized interim topic  
5 selected under subsection (b) of this section, or when a  
6 special study is desired, to appoint a select committee of  
7 not less than three (3) members without regard to its house  
8 or senate makeup to carry out the duties of the interim  
9 committee or the special study.

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11 (d) Upon request by a joint interim committee, the  
12 management council ~~shall have the right to~~ may fill any  
13 vacancy or enlarge any committee to facilitate any ~~assigned~~  
14 studies conducted during the interim.

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16 **Section 2.** The management council shall update its  
17 policies and handbooks as necessary to comply with the  
18 provisions of this act.

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1           **Section 3.** This act is effective immediately upon  
2 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law  
3 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming  
4 Constitution.

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