

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0132

Statutory standing committees-include federal review.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Wharff, Blackburn, Fortner, Hallinan and Laursen and Senator(s) Biteman, Bouchard, French and Salazar

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the legislature; requiring the  
2 legislature to establish standing committees; creating the  
3 standing committee on federal review; establishing powers  
4 and duties of the federal review committee; and providing  
5 for an effective date.

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

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 28-11-801 is created to read:

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CHAPTER 11

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STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES

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ARTICLE 8

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STANDING COMMITTEES

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2           **28-11-801. Standing committees established by the**  
3 **legislature.**

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5           (a) The legislature shall establish the following  
6 standing committees in both the senate and the house of  
7 representatives:

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9                   (i) Judiciary;

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11                   (ii) Appropriations;

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13                   (iii) Revenue;

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15                   (iv) Education;

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17                   (v) Agriculture, state and public lands and  
18 water resources;

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20                   (vi) Travel, recreation, wildlife and cultural  
21 resources;

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1           (vii) Corporations, elections and political  
2 subdivisions;

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4           (viii) Transportation, highways and military  
5 affairs;

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7           (ix) Minerals, business and economic  
8 development;

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10           (x) Labor, health and social services;

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12           (xi) Journal;

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14           (xii) Rules and procedure;

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16           (xiii) Federal review.

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18           (b) All standing committees except those created by  
19 paragraphs (xi) and (xii) of subsection (a) of this section  
20 shall function as joint interim committees as provided by  
21 W.S. 28-8-104(b).

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23           **Section 2.**

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2 (a) The federal review standing committee of the  
3 senate and house of representatives created by this act  
4 shall:

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6 (i) Review all federal action to determine if  
7 the sovereignty of the state of Wyoming and the powers,  
8 rights and liberties of its citizens, as legally defined  
9 during the ratification debates of the several states in  
10 ratifying the federal constitution of 1787, are being  
11 infringed upon or diminished;

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13 (ii) Determine and make findings as to which  
14 federal actions are not consistent with the enumerated  
15 roles, responsibilities and powers in the United States  
16 constitution. This duty shall be exercised without regard  
17 for any United States supreme court or other judicial  
18 decisions that attempt to interpret federal actions;

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20 (iii) Sponsor legislation, report to the  
21 legislature and advise the legislature consistent with any  
22 determinations and findings concerning the  
23 constitutionality of federal actions.

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2 (b) For purposes of this section, "federal action"  
3 means all new and existing federal laws, resolutions,  
4 rules, regulations, decrees, orders, mandates, executive  
5 orders and any other federal dictate having the force and  
6 effect of law.

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8 **Section 3.** 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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