

SENATE FILE NO. SF0035

School crosswalks and pedestrian crossings-appropriation.

Sponsored by: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the administration of government;
2 providing an appropriation for purposes of grants for
3 school crosswalk improvement and pedestrian bridge
4 planning, design and construction; specifying conditions
5 for grants; and providing 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.**

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11 (a) There is appropriated ten million dollars
12 (\$10,000,000.00) from the general fund to the Wyoming
13 department of transportation for the period beginning with
14 the effective date of this act and ending June 30, 2028 to
15 be expended only for purposes of providing funds for school
16 crosswalk projects on state highways and for school

1 crosswalk projects on roadways of cities, towns and
2 counties in accordance with subsection (b) of this section
3 and for administrative expenses in accordance with
4 subsection (c) of this section. This appropriation shall
5 not be transferred or expended for any other purpose and
6 any unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from this
7 appropriation shall revert as provided by law on June 30,
8 2028. It is the intent of the legislature that this
9 appropriation not be included in the standard budget of the
10 department of transportation for any immediately succeeding
11 fiscal biennium.

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13 (b) The department of transportation shall expend or
14 distribute funds appropriated under subsection (a) of this
15 section to cities, towns and counties in accordance with
16 the following:

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18 (i) Funds shall only be expended by the
19 department, cities, towns and counties on improvements to
20 crosswalks identified in a local transportation plan that
21 support safe routes to school or that are located within
22 school zones where the speed limit is reduced in accordance
23 with W.S. 31-5-301(b)(i) or where the crosswalk is

1 immediately adjacent to a school facility. For purposes of
2 this paragraph, improvements to crosswalks shall include:

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4 (A) Planning, design, construction and
5 installation of pedestrian overpasses;

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7 (B) Planning, design, construction and
8 installation of pedestrian underpasses or tunnels;

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10 (C) Improvements to existing school
11 crosswalks, including improvements to existing pedestrian
12 overpasses, pedestrian underpasses, signage, signals,
13 lighting and the roadway adjacent to school crosswalks.

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15 (ii) The department shall prioritize the
16 expenditure and distribution of funds for school crosswalks
17 in the following order:

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19 (A) School crosswalks where a fatality has
20 occurred within the last two (2) years;

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22 (B) School crosswalks where an injury or
23 other accident has occurred within the last two (2) years;

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(C) Any other school crosswalk where the department determines that there is a need for an improvement specified in paragraph (i) of this subsection;

(D) Any school crosswalk identified in a local transportation plan.

(iii) Projects for school crosswalks shall be completed not later than June 30, 2028.

(c) Not more than two percent (2%) of the funds appropriated in subsection (a) of this section may be used by the department of transportation for administrative expenses to administer this act. The distribution of funds appropriated under this act shall be in the same manner as the department currently administers the transportation alternatives program.

1 **Section 2.** 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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