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[BUDGET(s) AFFECTED]

Section Under Consideration:

Section 330s. ADDITION TO 300 SECTIONS

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"[RETIREMENT - ADDITIONAL PAYMENTS]

1 Page 1-line 13 After "retirement;" insert "providing a onetime retirement payment;".

Page 159-after line 11 Insert:

Section 330.

(a) One (1) additional payment shall be made on July 1, 2025 to each eligible person receiving a service pension, survivor's pension, retirement benefit, survivor benefit, death benefit or disability pension or benefit under a retirement plan. Each additional payment under this section shall be limited to persons who first began receiving benefits prior to July 1, 2023, either alone or in combination with a member or retired or disabled employee if the person is a survivor. If the person is a survivor, the payment date shall be based on the initial retirement or disability benefit of the applicable employee. Each payment to an eligible person shall be in an amount calculated by multiplying the eligible person's existing annual benefit by one percent (1.0%). The additional payment under this section shall not be ongoing, cumulative or in any way affect any future benefits paid to any person.

(b) There is appropriated seven million three hundred eighty-three thousand dollars (\$7,383,000.00) from the general fund to the board of the Wyoming retirement system for the purpose of making the payment as provided in subsection (a) of this section. This amount shall be allocated to each retirement plan on a proportional basis using the amount of payments calculated under subsection (a) of this section. To the extent there are insufficient funds under this section, the Wyoming retirement system shall reduce payments proportionately. This appropriation shall not be transferred or expended for any other purpose and any

unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from this appropriation shall revert as provided by law on June 30, 2026. It is the intent of the legislature that this appropriation not be included in the board's standard budget for the immediately succeeding fiscal biennium.

(c) Notwithstanding W.S. 9-3-454, any amount required to make the payment as provided in subsection (a) of this section in addition to the appropriation provided under subsection (b) of this section shall be provided from amounts within the applicable retirement plans and then only in the amount necessary to make payments applicable to persons who receive benefits from the retirement plan from which the money is drawn.

(d) As used in this section, "retirement plan" includes all retirement plans administered by the Wyoming retirement board, including the volunteer firefighter, EMT and search and rescue pension plan under W.S. 35-9-616 through 35-9-628. "Retirement plan" shall not include the paid firemen plan A administered by the Wyoming retirement board under W.S. 15-5-201 through 15-5-209.".

To the extent required by this amendment: adjust totals; and renumber as necessary. HENDERSON, BERGER, HARSHMAN