

SENATE FILE NO. SF0083

Revisor's bill.

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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the revision of statutes and other
 2 legislative enactments; correcting statutory references and
 3 language resulting from inadvertent errors and omissions in
 4 previously adopted legislation; amending obsolete
 5 references; 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.** W.S. 7-4-204, 9-4-719(b)(i),
 10 28-11-701(b)(ii), 31-2-231(b)(intro), 34-24-102(a)(xii),
 11 35-11-316(c) and 36-6-301(a)(i) are amended to read:

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13 **7-4-204. Oath of witness; recording of testimony;**
 14 **compensation of reporter.**

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1 An oath shall be administered to each witness as follows:
2 "You do solemnly swear (or affirm) that the testimony
3 which you shall give to this inquest concerning the death
4 of the person about whom this inquest is being held, shall
5 be the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, so
6 help you God." The coroner shall ~~insure~~ensure that all
7 testimony in an inquest shall be recorded. The compensation
8 of the court reporter or of the person transcribing the
9 audio tape shall be as prescribed by the board of county
10 commissioners. Unless specifically requested by the coroner
11 or prosecuting attorney, audio tapes need not be
12 transcribed.

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14 **9-4-719. Investment earnings spending policy**
15 **permanent funds.**

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17 (b) There is created the permanent Wyoming mineral
18 trust fund reserve account. All funds within the account
19 shall be invested by the state treasurer as authorized
20 under W.S. 9-4-715(a), (d), (e) and (r) and all investment
21 earnings from the account shall be credited to the account.
22 Except for funds specified by the legislature that
23 guarantee the obligations of permanent Wyoming mineral

1 trust fund investment earnings and funds to be transferred
2 into the permanent Wyoming mineral trust fund, funds
3 deposited into the reserve account created by this
4 subsection are intended to be inviolate and constitute a
5 permanent or perpetual trust fund. Beginning July 1, 2021
6 for fiscal year 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter, to
7 the extent funds are available, the state treasurer shall
8 transfer unobligated funds from this account to the general
9 fund on a quarterly, pro-rata basis as necessary to ensure
10 that an amount equal to two and one-half percent (2.5%) of
11 the previous five (5) year average market value of the
12 permanent Wyoming mineral trust fund, calculated on the
13 first day of the fiscal year, is available for expenditure
14 during each fiscal year. As soon as possible after the end
15 of each of the fiscal years beginning on and after July 1,
16 2017, after making any transfer required pursuant to
17 paragraphs (i) and (ii) of this subsection, revenues in
18 this account in excess of two hundred forty-five percent
19 (245%) of the spending policy amount in subsection (d) of
20 this section shall be credited to the permanent Wyoming
21 mineral trust fund. For fiscal year 2020 and for each
22 fiscal year thereafter:

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1 (i) As soon as practicable after the end of the
2 fiscal year, after making any other transfers provided by
3 law from the permanent Wyoming mineral trust fund reserve
4 account, but prior to calculating the balance of the
5 account under this subsection, the state treasurer shall
6 transfer from the account an amount equal to the difference
7 between the maximum amount which may be credited to the
8 strategic investments and ~~project~~projects account pursuant
9 to subsection (q) of this section and the amount actually
10 credited to that account in the applicable fiscal year;

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12 **28-11-701. Appointment of members; powers and duties;**
13 **executive branch liaisons.**

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15 (b) The select committee shall:

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17 (ii) Develop and introduce legislation as
18 necessary to promote blockchain, financial technology and
19 digital innovation in Wyoming unless the legislation
20 relates to Title 13 of the Wyoming ~~statues~~statutes, in
21 which case the legislation shall be recommended to the
22 joint minerals, business and economic development interim
23 committee for consideration.

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2 **31-2-231. Wildlife conservation license plates;**
3 **wildlife conservation account; authority to receive and**
4 **expend monies.**

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6 (b) The fees collected under subsection (a) of this
7 section shall be payable to the department and shall be
8 accounted for separately. Except as otherwise provided by
9 law, the fees collected under subsection (a) of this
10 section and funds collected under W.S. 23-2-101(p),
11 23-2-201(h), 23-2-306(d), 24-1-131(b), 31-2-225(a)(vi),
12 31-2-404(f)(ii), 31-2-409(h)(ii), 31-2-703(e)(ii),
13 31-3-101(j), ~~31-7-111(b)(xiv)~~ 31-7-111(b)(xiv) and
14 36-4-121(t) shall be distributed to the wildlife
15 conservation account within the state highway fund, which
16 is hereby created. The wildlife conservation account shall
17 be administered in accordance with the following:

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19 **34-24-102. Definitions.**

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21 (a) As used in this act:

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1 (xii) "Mineral" means oil, gas, uranium,
2 ~~sulphur~~sulfur, lignite, coal and any other substance that
3 is ordinarily and naturally considered a mineral,
4 regardless of the depth at which the oil, gas, uranium,
5 ~~sulphur~~sulfur, lignite, coal or other substance is found;

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7 **35-11-316. Unitization of geologic sequestration**
8 **sites; hearings on application, order; modifications.**

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10 (c) No order of the Wyoming oil and gas conservation
11 commission authorizing the commencement of unit operations
12 shall become effective until the plan of unitization has
13 been signed or in writing ratified or approved by those
14 persons who own at least eighty percent (80%) of the pore
15 space storage capacity within the unit area. If such
16 consent has not been obtained at the time the
17 ~~commissioner's~~commission's order is made, the commission
18 shall, upon application, hold supplemental hearings and
19 make findings as may be required to determine when and if
20 the consent will be obtained. The commission shall require
21 the applicant to give notice of a supplemental hearing by
22 regular mail at least thirty (30) days prior to the hearing
23 to each person owning interests in the pore space in the

1 proposed unit area whose name and address was required by
2 W.S. 35-11-315(a) to be listed in the application for the
3 unit operations. If the required percentages of consent
4 have not been obtained within a period of six (6) months
5 from and after the date on which the order of approval is
6 made, the order shall be ineffective and revoked by the
7 commission, unless, for good cause shown, the commission
8 extends that time. Any interested person may file an
9 application with the Wyoming oil and gas conservation
10 commission requesting an order applicable only to the
11 proposed unit area described in the application which shall
12 provide for the percentage of approval or ratification to
13 be reduced from eighty percent (80%) to seventy-five
14 percent (75%). The application shall contain the
15 information required by W.S. 35-11-315(a) and any order of
16 the commission entered pursuant to the application shall
17 comply with subsection (b) of this section. Notice of the
18 hearing on the application shall be given in the same
19 manner and to the same persons as required by subsection
20 (a) of this section. If the commission finds that
21 negotiations were being conducted since July 1, 2009, or
22 have been conducted for a period of at least nine (9)
23 months prior to the filing of the application, that the

1 applicant has participated in the negotiations diligently
2 and in good faith, and that the percentage of approval or
3 ratification required by this subsection cannot be
4 obtained, the commission may reduce any percentage of
5 approval or ratification required by this section from
6 eighty percent (80%) to seventy-five percent (75%). The
7 order shall affect only the unit area described in the
8 application and shall operate only to approve the proposed
9 plan of unitization and proposed operating plan and to
10 reduce the required percentage of approval or ratification
11 thereof and shall not change any other requirement
12 contained in this section.

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14 **36-6-301. Definitions.**

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16 (a) As used in this article:

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18 (i) "Associated natural resource" means any
19 substance, element or compound, either gaseous, liquid or
20 solid, associated with the production, refining or
21 processing of oil or gas. The term includes, but is not
22 limited to, propane, butanes, ethane, methane, carbon

1 dioxide, ~~sulphur~~sulfur, helium, nitrogen and natural gas
2 liquids;

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4 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2024.

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