

**FISCAL NOTE**

This bill contains an appropriation of \$25,000 from the GENERAL FUND to the Governor's Office.

## DETAIL OF APPROPRIATION

Agency #: 001 Agency Name: Governor's Office  
Unit: 0125 Gov.'s Office Task Forces

<b>EXPENDITURE BY SERIES AND YEAR</b>	<b>FY 2025</b>	<b>FY 2026</b>	<b>FY 2027</b>
0200 Supportive Services Costs	\$0	\$18,750	\$0
0900 Contractual Services Costs	\$0	\$6,250	\$0
Total Expenditure Per Year:	\$0	\$25,000	\$0
Grand Total Expenditure:	\$25,000		
Total Appropriated to Agency:	\$25,000		
Total Appropriated by Fund:			
GENERAL FUND	\$25,000		

## Description of appropriation:

The appropriation will be expended for purposes of appointing and convening a Wyoming State Council of Defense (Council) for establishing and equipping the Wyoming State Guard (Guard) as the Governor deems necessary. This appropriation is only effective for one fiscal year.

It is assumed the appropriation will be expended on travel related costs for members of the Council during Council business. It is assumed equipment, such as laptops will be needed for Council members. The estimated expenditure of \$6,250 is for the potential need for contracting with a professional services vendor by the Council to establish the Guard.

Any additional fiscal impact, in the form of an expenditure increase, is indeterminable. The cost to set up a Guard cannot be determined at this time since it is dependent upon the size of the unit established and what, if any, equipment is needed.

Members of the Guard, when serving under orders of the Governor, would receive pay and allowances of not more than 75 percent of the same pay and allowances authorized for personnel of equal rank in the national guard. These pay and allowances would be funded by the legislature from General Fund appropriation or by the Governor from the continuous appropriation for public welfare emergencies under W.S. 9-2-1014.3.

To provide a cost estimate using the Wyoming National Guard pay and training days as a baseline, the cost to establish a platoon (52 personnel) size force is estimated to be at least \$250,000 per year for pay and benefits, with minimal training and only personal uniform/equipment, while excluding any other startup costs. Startup costs would be dependent on the scope and scale of the force capacity and desired functions of the force, and as such are indeterminable.

**NOTICE-AGENCY ESTIMATE OF ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACT REQUESTED**

This bill has administrative impact that appears to increase duties or responsibilities of one or more state agencies and may impact agency spending or staffing requirements. As introduced, the bill does not modify any current personnel authorizations.

The following state agencies will be asked to provide their estimate of the administrative fiscal impact prior to the first committee meeting held to consider the bill:

Military Department

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