FISCAL NOTE

FY 2026 FY 2027 FY 2028

NON-ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACT

Anticipated Expenditure increase
PUBLIC SCHOOL FOUNDATION PROGRAM ACCOUNT \$2,500,000 \$2,000,000 \$1,100,000

Source of expenditure increase:

This bill creates a K-8 public lab school on the main campus of the University of Wyoming that would be part of the resident school district, Albany County School District No. 1, not to exceed 200 students beginning school year 2025-2026. The creation of this school would increase funding through the K-12 education resource block grant model's (K-12 funding model) foundation program guarantee amount.

The estimated impact to the K-12 funding model's foundation program guarantee is an increase of \$2,500,000 in FY 2026, \$2,000,000 in FY 2027, and \$1,100,000 in FY 2028. An increase to the K-12 funding model's foundation program guarantee amount will have a corresponding expenditure increase from the Public School Foundation Program Account in the form of school district entitlement payments.

Assumptions:

The above estimates were determined through the use of forecast K-12 funding models utilized by the Legislative Service Office and Wyoming Department of Education and are based on the most recent available data. The estimates assume that this school is funded as a charter school as required under W.S. 21-17-504 as created by this bill and has an enrollment of 200 students.

The University of Wyoming indicates this bill creates an indeterminable and significant administrative impact.

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