

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0036

Forestry division wildland fire modules.

Sponsored by: Joint Appropriations Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the state forester; authorizing
2 positions; providing for an appropriation for wildland fire
3 suppression modules; and providing for an effective date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section 1.**

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9 (a) The state forestry division of the office of
10 state lands and investments is authorized twenty-four (24)
11 employee positions for purposes of this section. Of the
12 positions authorized in this subsection, four (4) shall be
13 full-time employee positions consisting of regional fire
14 managers and suppression module leaders, four (4) shall be
15 nine-month temporary full-time employee positions and
16 sixteen (16) shall be six-month temporary full-time

1 employee positions. It is the intent of the legislature
2 that the positions authorized in this subsection be
3 included in the office of state lands and investments'
4 standard budget for the immediately succeeding fiscal
5 biennium.

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7 (b) There is appropriated five million one hundred
8 forty-four thousand dollars (\$5,144,000.00) from the
9 general fund to the office of state lands and investments
10 for two (2) wildland fire suppression modules for the state
11 forestry program. Funds appropriated in this subsection
12 shall be for the positions authorized in subsection (a) of
13 this section, support costs, equipment and costs associated
14 with hiring, training, certifying and supervising two (2)
15 specialized teams to support wildfire suppression and
16 hazardous fuels reduction projects in the state. This
17 appropriation shall be for the period beginning with the
18 effective date of this act and ending June 30, 2028. This
19 appropriation shall not be transferred or expended for any
20 other purpose and any unexpended, unobligated funds
21 remaining from this appropriation shall revert as provided
22 by law on June 30, 2028. It is the intent of the
23 legislature that, of this appropriation, one million

1 dollars (\$1,000,000.00) not be included in the office of
2 state lands and investments' standard budget for the
3 immediately succeeding fiscal biennium.

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5 **Section 2.** This act is effective April 1, 2026.

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