

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0036

Forestry conservation program wildland fire module.

Sponsored by: Joint Appropriations Committee

A BILL

for

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

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

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8 **Section 1.**

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10 (a) The state forestry division of the office of  
11 state lands and investments is authorized twelve (12)  
12 employee positions for purposes of this section. Of the  
13 positions authorized in this subsection, two (2) shall be  
14 full-time employee positions consisting of a regional fire  
15 manager and suppression module leader, two (2) shall be  
16 nine-month temporary full-time employee positions and eight

1 (8) shall be six-month temporary full-time employee  
2 positions. It is the intent of the legislature that the  
3 positions authorized in this subsection be included in the  
4 office of state lands and investments' standard budget for  
5 the immediately succeeding fiscal biennium.

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7 (b) There is appropriated two million five hundred  
8 seventy-two thousand dollars (\$2,572,000.00) from the  
9 general fund to the office of state lands and investments  
10 for a wildland fire suppression module 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 a  
15 specialized team 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, five hundred

1 thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) not be included in the  
2 office of state lands and investments' standard budget for  
3 the immediately succeeding fiscal biennium.

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

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7 (END)