

SENATE FILE NO. SF0002

Legislative budget.

Sponsored by: Management Council

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to appropriations for the legislature;  
2 providing appropriations for the operation of the  
3 legislative branch of state government; providing for terms  
4 and conditions and other requirements relating to  
5 appropriations for the remainder of the current biennium  
6 ending June 30, 2026 and the period of the budget as  
7 specified; providing for carryover of certain funds beyond  
8 the biennium as specified; and providing for effective  
9 dates.

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

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13 **Section 1.** There is appropriated from the general  
14 fund to the legislative service office the following  
15 specified amounts, or as much thereof as may be necessary,  
16 to pay the costs and expenses of the Wyoming legislature

1     through June 30, 2028:

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3     SALARIES

4     LSO Staff Permanent/Temporary .....\$11,499,818  
5     Legislators - Session .....1,156,600  
6     Legislators - Interim .....2,239,976  
7     Session Staff .....575,608  
8     Employer Paid Benefits .....4,906,076

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10    IN-STATE TRAVEL

11    Mileage and Per Diem - Session .....1,543,200  
12    Mileage and Per Diem - Interim .....1,252,390

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14    OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL

15    Travel Expenses .....93,800  
16    Per Diem .....128,800

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18    DUES

19    National Conference of State Legislatures .....293,524  
20    The Energy Council .....76,800  
21    Council of State Governments .....271,346  
22    Other .....15,520

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1	REGISTRATION FEES .....	75,600
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3	TELECOMMUNICATIONS .....	50,000
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5	ETS SERVICES (Network connections & backup) .....	10,000
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7	GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT .....	1,524,720
8	(Information technology, copying,	
9	supplies and equipment, furniture,	
10	contract services, special projects, etc.)	
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12	STATUTES, SESSION LAWS AND DIGESTS .....	405,000
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14	TOTAL .....	\$26,118,778
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16       **Section 2.** [Standard Provision-Flex]. The Management  
17 Council may transfer funds from one expense category to  
18 another under Section 1 of this act as the activities of  
19 the legislature may require.

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21       **Section 3.** [Standard Provision-Travel]. The  
22 appropriation for out-of-state travel under this act shall  
23 be used to reimburse legislators for documented legislative

1 travel and per diem expenses to attend out-of-state  
2 meetings in accordance with policies of the Management  
3 Council. In addition to other out-of-state travel  
4 authorized in Management Council policies, Management  
5 Council may approve out-of-state travel for legislators  
6 that furthers the interests of the state of Wyoming. This  
7 travel may include travel to meet with legislators or  
8 legislative committees from other states and travel to  
9 attend other meetings, conferences or events that further  
10 the interests of the state of Wyoming.

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12 **Section 4.** [Carry Forward of Prior Appropriations].

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14 (a) Notwithstanding W.S. 9-4-207, the unobligated  
15 portions of the following appropriations shall not revert  
16 on June 30, 2026, and are hereby reappropriated to the  
17 legislative service office for the following purposes:

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19 (i) Any unexpended, unobligated amounts  
20 reappropriated for expenditure by the legislative service  
21 office under 2024 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 59,  
22 Sections 4(a)(i) and 7 and 2025 Wyoming Session Laws,  
23 Chapter 140, Section 2 are reappropriated for expenditure

1 by the legislative service office for the period commencing  
2 July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2028. Expenditures of  
3 amounts reappropriated under this paragraph shall be for  
4 professional consulting expertise and other support  
5 necessary to carry out and execute work of the legislature  
6 pertaining to required K-12 education responsibilities,  
7 issues and studies. Professional consulting expertise may  
8 be retained by the legislative service office only upon  
9 approval of the Management Council, and the unexpended,  
10 unobligated amounts may be expended for contractual  
11 agreements between the Management Council and professional  
12 consultants;

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14 (ii) Any balance remaining on June 30, 2026,  
15 resulting from the sale of legislative laptop computers  
16 prior to that date is appropriated to the legislative  
17 service office to be used for the purchase of replacement  
18 laptop computers and support systems for the period  
19 commencing July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2028;

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21 (iii) Any unexpended, unobligated amounts  
22 appropriated for expenditure under 2024 Wyoming Session  
23 Laws, Chapter 59 are reappropriated for expenditure by the

1 legislative service office at the direction of the  
2 Management Council for extraordinary expenses of the  
3 legislature and as necessary to supplement any expense  
4 category under this act, for the period commencing July 1,  
5 2026 and ending June 30, 2028.

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7 (b) This section is effective immediately.

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9 **Section 5.** [New Legislator Training Compensation].

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11 (a) From and after the date the state canvassing  
12 board certifies the results of the 2026 general election in  
13 accordance with W.S. 22-16-118, legislators elect and newly  
14 appointed legislators may, to the extent authorized by the  
15 Management Council, receive mileage and per diem at the  
16 same rate as members of the legislature plus an amount  
17 equal to the daily salary paid to legislators for each day  
18 spent at a legislative training function or at a meeting of  
19 an interim committee to which they will be assigned.

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21 (b) There is appropriated from the general fund to  
22 the legislative service office thirty-four thousand dollars  
23 (\$34,000.00) for purposes of this section.

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2 (c) As used in this section:

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4 (i) "Legislator elect" means a person elected to  
5 the legislature during the 2026 general election who is not  
6 a current member of the legislature and before the person  
7 is duly sworn in;

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9 (ii) "Newly appointed legislator" means a person  
10 appointed after the 2026 general election to fill a vacancy  
11 in the House or Senate and before the person is duly sworn  
12 in.

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14 **Section 6.** [Economic Development Authorized Travel].

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16 (a) Subject to available appropriation, legislators  
17 traveling out-of-state, including internationally, in  
18 connection with executive branch or legislatively approved  
19 efforts to expand and diversify Wyoming's energy and  
20 industrial economy or to attract new business enterprises to  
21 the state or to improve access to and growth in domestic and  
22 international markets, are authorized reimbursement of actual  
23 travel expenses, including travel, lodging, meals and

1 necessary incidentals, provided:

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3 (i) Reimbursement of travel expenses for members  
4 of the legislature to participate in economic  
5 development efforts under this section shall require the  
6 approval of the Management Council;

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15 (b) This section is effective immediately.

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17           **Section**    7. [Wyoming State Treasurer's Investment  
18 Conference]. There is appropriated twenty thousand dollars  
19 (\$20,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative  
20 service office for payment of registration, mileage and per  
21 diem for legislators attending the Wyoming state treasurer's  
22 investment conference in the 2026 or 2027 interim.

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1           **Section 8.** [Interpretive Exhibits and Wayfinding  
2 Subcommittee].

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4           (a) There is appropriated twenty-five thousand  
5 dollars (\$25,000.00) from the general fund to the  
6 legislative service office to pay the salary, mileage and  
7 per diem of the legislative members of the capitol  
8 interpretive exhibits and wayfinding subcommittee created  
9 by 2021 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 140, Section 8(a).

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11           (b) This section is effective immediately.

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13           **Section 9.** [Economic Modeling]. There is  
14 appropriated four hundred ninety-two thousand one hundred  
15 dollars (\$492,100.00) from the general fund to the  
16 legislative service office for regional economic modeling  
17 software and maintenance fees for the 2027-2028 biennium to  
18 support the legislative service office budget fiscal  
19 division fiscal note process, the legislative service  
20 office research division administrative rules economic  
21 impact analysis and other projects and assignments of the  
22 legislature as necessary.

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## 1                   **Section 10.** [Effective Dates].

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10 (b) Except as otherwise provided, this act is  
11 effective July 1, 2026.

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13 (END)