

SENATE FILE NO. SF0060

K-12 school facilities appropriations.

Sponsored by: Select Committee on School Facilities

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to school building and facility projects;
2 providing appropriations for the fiscal biennium commencing
3 July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2028; providing for
4 appropriations for the remainder of the current biennium
5 ending June 30, 2026; specifying conditions for
6 expenditures; requiring reports; establishing a grant
7 program for school facility safety and security projects;
8 specifying requirements for school districts to receive
9 safety and security grant funds; and providing for an
10 effective date.

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

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15 **Section 1.**

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1 (a) This section shall consist of funds appropriated
2 for K-12 school building and facility needs.

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4 (b) As used in subsection (j) of this section, a
5 "priority" identified by an Arabic numeral means the
6 project ranking as submitted by the school facilities
7 commission within its budget recommendations provided under
8 W.S. 21-15-119.

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10 (c) The amounts appropriated from the public school
11 foundation program account under paragraphs (j)(ii) through
12 (iv) of this section are for the period beginning July 1,
13 2026 and ending June 30, 2028, and any unexpended,
14 unobligated funds remaining from any of these
15 appropriations shall revert to the public school foundation
16 program account on June 30, 2028.

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18 (d) Appropriations for projects denoted with an
19 asterisk (*) within subsection (j) of this section are
20 effective immediately, and end upon project completion,
21 unless otherwise provided by law. Except for amounts
22 denoted with an asterisk, the amounts appropriated from the
23 public school foundation program account under paragraphs

1 (j)(i) and (v) through (viii) of this section are for the
2 period beginning July 1, 2026, and ending upon project
3 completion, unless otherwise provided by law. Upon
4 completion of a project under this subsection, any
5 unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from the
6 appropriation for the project shall revert to the public
7 school foundation program account.

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9 (e) As authorized under W.S. 21-15-119(a)(iii), the
10 school facilities commission may submit a supplemental
11 budget request for the period beginning July 1, 2027 and
12 ending June 30, 2028, for any emergency or unanticipated
13 need, or for any refinement or modification of a project
14 funded under this section, subject to any constraints or
15 other requirements imposed by the governor under W.S.
16 9-2-1013.

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18 (f) An estimated schedule for deploying projects
19 funded by amounts appropriated under subsection (j) of this
20 section, as adopted by the school facilities commission and
21 as contained within the 2027-2028 biennial budget submitted
22 by the commission under W.S. 21-15-119, shall be used by
23 the state construction department to the extent practicable

1 to guide expenditure of appropriated funds. The estimated
2 schedule shall be based upon information, processes, events
3 and expenditures and shall not be binding upon the state
4 construction department or the school facilities
5 commission.

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7 (g) Amounts appropriated under subsection (j) of this
8 section shall not be construed to be an entitlement or
9 guaranteed amount and shall be expended by the school
10 facilities commission to ensure adequate, efficient and
11 cost effective school buildings and facilities in
12 accordance with W.S. 21-15-114(a)(vii).

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14 (h) In addition to accounting and reporting
15 requirements imposed under W.S. 28-11-301(c)(iv), the state
16 construction department shall report at least one (1) time
17 each year on the deployment of amounts to fund projects
18 under this section in accordance with the deployment
19 schedule, information on project progression and, if
20 applicable, the rationale for any deviation from the
21 estimated schedule. The reports, as approved by the
22 commission, shall be submitted by the department to the

1 select committee on school facilities, the joint
2 appropriations committee and the governor.

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4 (j) For K-12 school facility projects, the following
5 amounts are appropriated from the public school foundation
6 program account to the school facilities commission for the
7 following purposes:

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9 (i) Effective immediately, for component level
10 major maintenance projects, thirty-one million six hundred
11 sixty-one thousand three hundred twenty-two dollars
12 (\$31,661,322.00). The school facilities commission may
13 modify prioritization of projects contained in this
14 paragraph to optimize efficiency or based on project
15 readiness. Expenditure of funds appropriated by this
16 paragraph shall be subject to the following prescribed
17 maximum amounts:

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19		School		Maximum
20	Priority	District	Project	Amount
21				
22	04-01	Big Horn #3	High School	\$828,878
23	04-02	Johnson #1	High School	\$3,137,677

1	04-03	Sheridan #2	Junior High School	\$2,593,497
2	04-04	Laramie #2	Administration Building	\$114,196
3	04-05	Fremont #14	Middle School	\$1,456,696
4	04-06	Hot Springs #1	Elementary School	\$948,168
5	04-07	Converse #2	Junior High/High School	\$1,756,228
6	04-08	Big Horn #1	Elementary School	\$173,963
7	04-09	Crook #1	K-12 School	\$610,461
8	04-10	Carbon #1	Middle School	\$1,880,657
9	04-11	Sublette #1	High School	\$1,878,241
10	04-12	Weston #7	High School	\$833,192
11	04-13	Washakie #1	Middle School	\$1,799,497
12	04-14	Lincoln #1	Elementary School	\$3,296,500
13	04-15	Weston #1	High School	\$4,703,382
14	04-16	Big Horn #2	High School	\$1,988,099
15	04-17	Carbon #2	Junior High/High School	\$808,866
16	04-18	Fremont #6	Middle School	\$244,378
17	04-19	Park #16	K-12 School	\$2,608,746
18	04-20	Big Horn #3	Elementary School	\$ 531,164
19	04-21	Johnson #1	K-12 School	\$ 1,428,703
20	04-22	Fremont #14	Middle School	\$ 1,287,903

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22 (ii) For charter school leases, six million

23 three hundred thirty-two thousand nine hundred twenty-eight

1 dollars (\$6,332,928.00). The funds appropriated under this
 2 paragraph shall be distributed for charter school lease
 3 expenses for school year 2026-2027 and school year
 4 2027-2028, are subject to W.S. 21-3-110(a)(x) and the
 5 following prescribed maximum amounts:

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7		School		Maximum
8	Priority	District	Project	Amount
9				
10	05-01	Albany #1	Elementary School	\$347,799
11	05-02	Laramie #1	Elementary School	\$830,585
12	05-03	Laramie #1	Secondary School	\$916,645
13	05-04	Natrona #1	K-8 School	\$1,823,257
14	05-05	Laramie #1	Elementary School	\$1,253,600
15	05-06	Lincoln #2	Elementary School	\$416,150
16	05-07	Platte #1	K-12 School	<u>\$744,892</u>
17	Total			\$ 6,332,928

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19 (iii) Subject to the requirements of W.S.
 20 21-3-110(a)(x), for future charter school leasing
 21 obligations (priority 07-01), one million seven hundred
 22 ninety-two thousand nine hundred seventy-six dollars
 23 (\$1,792,976.00). The funds appropriated under this

paragraph shall only be expended for leasing expenses for charter schools approved for operation pursuant to W.S. 21-3-301 et seq. In addition to any other reporting requirements, not later than September 1, 2026 and September 1, 2027, the state construction department shall report any expenditure of the funds appropriated by this paragraph to the select committee on school facilities, the joint appropriations committee and the governor;

(iv) For modular buildings and leases, fifty-two thousand one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$52,125.00), subject to the following prescribed maximum amounts:

	School		Maximum
Priority	District	Project	Amount
06-01	Laramie #1	Modular Lease	\$17,375
06-02	Laramie #1	Modular Lease	\$17,375
06-03	Laramie #1	Modular Lease	<u>\$17,375</u>
Total			\$52,125

(v) For design of school building and facility projects, fifteen million seven hundred thirty-nine

1 thousand eight hundred fifty-five dollars (\$15,739,855.00),
 2 subject to the following prescribed maximum amounts:

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4		School		Maximum
5	Priority	District	Project	Amount
6				
7	09-01	Teton #1	High School	\$2,809,810*
8	09-02	Crook #1	Secondary School	\$1,710,957
9	09-03	Laramie #1	High School	\$4,346,602
10	09-04	Laramie #1	Elementary School	\$3,675,736
11	09-05	Fremont #25	Elementary School	<u>\$3,196,750</u>
12	Total			\$15,739,855

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14 (vi) For construction of school building and
 15 facility projects, seventy-seven million three hundred
 16 fifty-nine thousand seven hundred thirty-one dollars
 17 (\$77,359,731.00), subject to the following prescribed
 18 maximum amounts:

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20		School		Maximum
21	Priority	District	Project	Amount
22				
23	10-01	Crook #1	Secondary School	\$12,632,827

1	10-02	Laramie #1	Elementary School	\$1,494,000
2	10-03	Laramie #1	Elementary School	\$33,298,901
3	10-04	Fremont #25	Elementary School	<u>\$29,934,003</u>
4	Total			\$77,359,731

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6 (vii) For demolition projects, two million six
 7 hundred twenty thousand six hundred seventy dollars
 8 (\$2,620,670.00), subject to the following prescribed
 9 maximum amounts:

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11		School		Maximum
12	Priority	District	Project	Amount

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14	11-01	Laramie #1	Elementary School	\$1,286,510*
15	11-02	Albany #1	Elementary School	\$500,000
16	11-03	Laramie #1	Elementary School	<u>\$834,160</u>
17	Total			\$2,620,670

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19 (viii) For unanticipated costs associated with
 20 the projects funded under paragraphs (j)(i) and (v) through
 21 (vii) of this section (priority 12-01), seven million six
 22 hundred forty-two thousand eight hundred ninety-five
 23 dollars (\$7,642,895.00), subject to the following maximum

1 amounts:

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3 (A) For design projects contained in
4 paragraph (j)(v) of this section, nine hundred forty-four
5 thousand three hundred ninety-one dollars (\$944,391.00);

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7 (B) For component level major maintenance
8 and construction projects contained in paragraphs (j)(i)
9 and (vi) of this section, six million five hundred forty-
10 one thousand two hundred sixty-four dollars
11 (\$6,541,264.00);

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13 (C) For demolition projects contained in
14 paragraph (j)(vii) of this section, one hundred fifty-seven
15 thousand two hundred forty dollars (\$157,240.00).

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17 **Section 2.**

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19 (a) For K-12 school facility safety and security
20 projects (priorities 08-01 and 08-02), ten million dollars
21 (\$10,000,000.00) is appropriated to the school facilities
22 commission, from the public school foundation program
23 account, for design of security vestibules and vehicle

1 barricades and approved prioritized school district safety
2 and security remedies. The funds appropriated under this
3 subsection shall remain in effect beginning July, 1, 2026,
4 until the project is completed, unless otherwise provided
5 by law. Upon completion of a remedy under this section, any
6 unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from this
7 appropriation for the remedy shall revert to the public
8 school foundation program account.

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10 (b) The school facilities commission shall establish
11 a prioritized list of K-12 school facility safety and
12 security remedies utilizing national and regional best
13 practices. The commission shall consider school safety and
14 security needs identified by school districts in
15 determining the prioritized list of remedies. Funds shall
16 be distributed to school districts upon application to the
17 state construction department, in the manner and form
18 required by the commission, and approved by the commission.

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20 (c) Prior to the expenditure of funds appropriated by
21 subsection (a) of this section, for each safety and
22 security remedy, the commission shall include the remedy in
23 the school district facility plan required pursuant to W.S.

1 21-15-116, ensure the remedy is a cost effective method to
2 address the safety and security need and specify a maximum
3 budget for each remedy.

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5 (d) Not later than September 1, 2026, and each
6 September 1 thereafter until the funds appropriated under
7 subsection (a) of this section are expended or have
8 reverted upon completion of a remedy, in conjunction with
9 the school facilities commission's annual budget
10 recommendations required pursuant to W.S. 21-15-119, the
11 commission and state construction department shall report
12 to the select committee on school facilities, the joint
13 appropriations committee and the governor any expenditures
14 of funds appropriated under subsection (a) of this section
15 and shall include any request for funds necessary for the
16 construction of security vestibules and vehicle barriers
17 and to complete school district safety and security needs
18 identified pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

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1 **Section 3.** This act is immediately upon completion of
2 all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided by
3 Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution.

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