

Bill No.: SF0001 **Effective:** 7/1/2026

LSO No.: 26LSO-0436

Enrolled Act No.: SEA No. 0027

Chapter No.: 44

Prime Sponsor: Joint Appropriations Committee

Catch Title: **General government appropriations.**

Has Report: Yes

Subject: Budget Bill for the FY 2027-2028 Biennium.

Summary/Major Elements:

This act contains the following appropriations, including appropriations contingent upon the enactment of other legislation:

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| General Fund (GF) | \$3,402,050,711 [Increased by Governor's veto; not overridden.] |
| | \$3,456,950,711* |
| Federal Funds (FF) | \$2,188,146,505 |
| Public School Foundation Prog.(SFP) | \$2,271,196,743 |
| Other Funds (OF) | \$2,128,380,973 [Increased by Governor's veto; not overridden.] |
| | \$2,182,752,503 |
| Total Appropriations | \$9,989,774,932 |
| | \$10,099,046,462 |

This act contains the following transfers from the General Fund or Other Funds, including transfers contingent upon the enactment of other legislation:

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| Strategic Investments and Projects Account (SIPA) to GF | \$138,974,688 |
| GF to the Permanent Wyoming Mineral Trust Fund (transfer for savings) | \$44,348,131 |
| School Foundation Program Reserve Account to SFP | \$88,742,176 |
| SIPA to GF | \$228,600,000 |
| (Contingent on 2026 SF 119 not being enacted. The Governor vetoed 2026 SF 0119.) | |
| Leg. Stabilization and Reserve Account (LSRA) to GF | \$100,000,000 |
| LSRA to GF | \$325,000,000 |
| Total Transfers | \$925,664,995 |

*This includes \$4,681,166 contingent on 2026 House Bill 36 and \$1,600,000 contingent on 2026 Senate File 85; both became law.

Total Authorized Positions:

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7,210 full time equivalent (FTE) and 223 part time equivalent (PTE) positions. These authorizations are net of four (4) FTE positions and twenty (20) PTE positions appropriated to the Office of State Lands and Investments (Section 060) for the positions authorized by 2026 House Bill 36 which became law.

General Government - The act appropriates funds for the fiscal biennium from July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2028, detailing allocations for various state departments, programs, and initiatives. It includes provisions for employee positions, budgetary limitations and specific terms for fund usage. The act authorizes grants and loans, establishes reporting requirements and mandates audits for certain funds. It provides for the carryover of specific funds beyond the biennium. The act contains delayed effective dates for certain sections and specifies conditions for fund transfers and borrowing authority. The act includes appropriations for employee compensation adjustments and benefits, with specific conditions and reporting requirements. It repeals and amends prior appropriations. It specifies the effective dates for various sections, with some provisions effective immediately upon enactment.

A condensed overview of large agencies and programs follows:

Department of Health – This act includes appropriations of \$2.660 billion (\$1.108 billion GF; \$1.241 FF; \$311.0 million OF). The act includes the ability to carry over up to \$25.0 million GF from the 2025-2026 biennium to the 2027-2028 biennium, pursuant to Section 309.

K-12 Education – This act includes appropriations of \$2.210 billion SFP for school districts. This act appropriates \$392.7 million (\$17.3 million GF; \$349.8 million FF; \$25.6 million OF) to the Department of Education. This includes \$21.9 million SFP for school district entitlement payments if 2026 House Bill 0045 or 2026 Senate File 0039 is enacted into law. 2026 House Bill 0045 was enacted into law.

Higher Education – This act appropriates \$293.4 million (\$290.3 million GF; \$1.9 million FF; \$1.2 million OF) to community colleges; this is inclusive of an appropriation for a dual enrollment competitive grant program. This act also appropriates \$486.8 million GF to the University of Wyoming.

Department of Corrections – This act appropriates \$346.1 million (\$325.8 million GF; \$472,000 FF; \$19.8 million OF) to the Department of Corrections.

Department of Family Services – This act appropriates \$339.3 million (\$175.4 million GF; \$149.8 million FF; \$14.1 million OF) to the Department of Family Services.

Various additional provisions:

- This act provides carryover appropriations as specified in Sections 303 and 309.
- This act reappropriates funds to the Enhanced Oil Recovery Commission, pursuant to Section 308.
- This act appropriates up to \$16.0 million from the LSRA for matching grant funding for projects related to rare earth resources, pursuant to Section 312.
- ~~This act deappropriates funds in the Business Ready Community Account, pursuant to Section 317. [Governor vetoed; not overridden.]~~
- This act revises prior appropriations, pursuant to Section 318.

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- This act appropriates \$15.0 million from the Wyoming Tourism Reserve and Projects Account for an Office of Tourism Project and Contract, pursuant to Section 320.
- This act appropriates \$3.3 million GF and \$365,000 of local matching funds for court security grants, pursuant to Section 321.
- This act authorizes the continuation of the Rocky Mountain Power Project Account, pursuant to Section 322.
- This act discharges a loan from the LSRA to the University of Wyoming 2023 capital projects account, pursuant to Section 323.
- ~~This act modifies a prior authorization for spending from the Wyoming State Penitentiary Capital Construction Account, pursuant to Section 324. [Governor vetoed; not overridden.]~~
- This act requires the reversion of a prior appropriation of \$2.5 million from the Wyoming Tourism Account, pursuant to Section 327.
- This act appropriates \$172.2 million (\$131.3 million GF; \$30.9 million FF; \$10.2 million OF) to restore some of the Governor's biennial budget development recommendations, pursuant to Section 328(a) and fifteen (15) FTE, pursuant to Section 328(b).
- This act appropriates \$111.8 million GF for salary adjustments and the necessary, proportional amounts from nongeneral fund sources to provide payment of comparable salary adjustments, pursuant to Section 329.
- This act appropriates \$800,000 from the Wyoming Tourism Account for an Outdoor Trails matching funding, pursuant to Section 330.
- This act appropriates \$550,000 GF for a rural veterinary medicine education program, pursuant to Section 331.
- This act authorizes prior appropriations for the Wyoming State Shooting Complex and reverts \$5 million to the GF, pursuant to Section 332.
- This act appropriates \$30,000 from the Wyoming Tourism Account for a display related to the 1893 Yellowstone Forest Reserve Survey Party Tree, pursuant to Section 333.
- This act authorizes the use of not more than \$3.0 million Special Revenue (SR) from prior appropriated funds for an appraisal and expenditure related to state parks concessionaires, pursuant to Section 335.

Reports and submissions required by this act:

- This act appropriates \$100,000 GF for an external financial and administrative audit and operational review of the Center of Innovation for Flow Through Porous Media and the High Bay Research facility at the University of Wyoming ~~in consultation with the legislative Management Council~~, pursuant to Section 067, footnote 2. [Governor vetoed in part; not overridden.]
- This act requires a comprehensive review and operational plan from the University of Wyoming, pursuant to Section 067, footnote 9.

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- This act appropriates \$100,000 GF for a forensic audit of the Wyoming Business Council pursuant to Section 334. [Governor vetoed in part; not overridden.]

The Governor vetoed the following provisions that were subsequently overridden by the Senate and House:

- Section 2, Introduction related to authorization of employees.
- Section 2, Section 206, Department of Education, portion of footnote 1.
- Section 3, Section 307, Personal Services Transfers.
- Section 3, Section 310, Limitation on Salary Increase.

The Governor vetoed the following provisions that were not overridden:

- Section 2, Section 004, State Treasurer, portion of footnote 1.
- Section 2, Section 010, Department of Agriculture, footnote 4.
- Section 2, Section 015, Attorney General, portion of footnote 4.
- Section 2, Section 042, Geological Survey, portion of footnote 1.
- Section 2, Section 045, Department of Transportation, portion of footnote 4.
- Section 2, Section 057, Community College Commission, portion of footnote 1 and entire footnote 7.
- Section 2, Section 067, University of Wyoming, portion of footnote 2, portion of footnote 6, footnote 8 and portion of footnote 9(b).
- Section 2, Section 077, Enterprise Technology Services, portion of footnote 2.
- Section 2, Section 085, Wyoming Business Council, portion of footnote 1.
- Section 3, Section 303, Carryover Appropriations, portion of subsection (a) Wild Horse and Burro Management.
- Section 3, Section 312, Energy Matching Fund Grant, portion of subsection (b).
- Section 3, Section 317, Deappropriation – Business Ready Community Account, subsection (a), portion of subsection (b) and subsection (c).
- Section 3, Section 318, Revisions to Prior Appropriations, portions related to 2022 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 51, Section 321, Energy Matching Funds, and portions related to 2022 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 51, Section 325, Appropriation to Match Federal Infrastructure Grants.
- Section 3, Section 324, Modification of Authorization to Expend Wyoming State Penitentiary Capital Construction Account.
- Section 3, Section 328, Governor’s Biennial Budget Development Recommendations – Restoration, footnote 7.
- Section 3, Section 334, Wyoming Business Council – Forensic Audit, portions of title and subsection (a).

Comments:

- Portions of this act are effective immediately. Except where otherwise indicated, this act is effective July 1, 2026;
- Popular name(s): “Budget Bill”; “General Appropriations of Government”.

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