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INTRODUCTION**

SENATE FILE NO.

Select Committee on Blockchain and Emerging Technologies.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Rothfuss

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the legislature; amending the name and  
2 duties of the select committee on blockchain, financial  
3 technology and digital innovation technology; amending the  
4 sponsorship authority of the select committee; making  
5 conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date.

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

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9       **Section 1.** W.S. 28-11-701(a)(intro), (b)(i), (ii),  
10 (c)(intro), (i) and by creating a new subsection (d) and  
11 40-31-105(e) are amended to read:

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ARTICLE 7

1 SELECT COMMITTEE ON BLOCKCHAIN AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES

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3 28-11-701. Appointment of members; powers and duties;  
4 executive branch liaisons.

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6 (a) Not later than March 15 following each general  
7 election, a select committee on blockchain, ~~financial~~  
8 ~~technology and digital innovation technology~~ and emerging  
9 technologies shall be appointed subject to the following:

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11 (b) The select committee shall:

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13 (i) Develop knowledge and expertise among its  
14 members regarding issues pertaining to blockchain,  
15 ~~financial technology and digital innovation technology~~ and  
16 emerging technologies;

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18 (ii) Subject to subsection (d) of this section,  
19 develop and introduce legislation as necessary to promote  
20 blockchain, financial technology and digital innovation in  
21 Wyoming unless the legislation relates to Title 13 of the  
22 Wyoming statutes, in which case the legislation shall be  
23 recommended to the joint minerals, business and economic

~~development interim committee for consideration~~ Wyoming's  
continued leadership in the digital economy by:

(A) Reducing impediments to economic  
opportunities for technology and technology companies  
within the state;

(B) Developing policies that encourage  
technology companies to locate and remain in the state;

(C) Promoting further development of  
digital commercial activity in the state.

(c) Not later than March 15 following each general election, the governor shall appoint three (3) persons to serve as liaisons to the select committee on blockchain, ~~financial technology and digital innovation technology~~ and emerging technologies. The governor may, in a manner consistent with W.S. 9-1-202, remove any liaison to the select committee. The liaisons shall:

(i) Aid, assist and advise the select committee on issues pertaining to blockchain, ~~financial technology~~

1 ~~and digital innovation technology~~ and emerging  
2 technologies;

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6 STAFF COMMENT  
7 While likely not impermissible, chairmen are typically not  
8 allowed to make a dispositive decision on the sponsorship  
9 of legislation on behalf of a committee.  
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13 (d) Any legislation that relates to title 13 of the  
14 Wyoming statutes shall not be sponsored by the select  
15 committee without first seeking the consent of the chairmen  
16 of the joint minerals, business and economic development  
17 interim committee. If consent for sponsorship of the  
18 legislation by the select committee is not obtained from  
19 the chairmen of the joint minerals, business and economic  
20 development interim committee, the select committee may  
21 recommend the legislation to the joint minerals, business  
22 and economic development interim committee for  
23 consideration.

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25 40-31-105. Powers of the commission.  
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(e) Before publicly issuing any fully reserved Wyoming stable tokens, the director shall provide a comprehensive report to the select committee on blockchain, ~~financial technology and digital innovation technology~~ and emerging technologies and the joint minerals, business and economic development interim committee on all actions taken under this act.

9           **Section 2.** For all purposes the select committee on  
10 blockchain and emerging technologies, as renamed in this  
11 act, is a continuation of the select committee on  
12 blockchain, financial technology and digital innovation  
13 technology.

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

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