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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO. _____

Game and fish department-general fund budget requests.

Sponsored by: Joint Travel, Recreation, Wildlife and
Cultural Resources Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to game and fish; requiring the department
2 to submit general fund budget requests for grizzly bear
3 management program, elk winter feedground program and
4 employee health insurance costs; and providing for an
5 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. 23-1-502(d) and by creating a new
10 subsection (e) is amended to read:

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12 **23-1-502. Financial policy; budget; fiscal year;**
13 **debts.**

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2 (d) The commission shall prepare a separate budget
3 requesting general funds to implement and maintain its
4 sensitive species and nongame programs, grizzly bear
5 management program and elk winter feedground program and
6 shall submit that budget for review, recommendation and
7 approval as provided in W.S. 9-2-1010 through 9-2-1014.1.
8 Any funds appropriated by the legislature which are
9 specified for these programs shall be retained in a
10 separate account, expended only for such ~~management~~
11 purposes and notwithstanding any other provision of law
12 shall not be transferred or expended for any other purpose.
13 In managing ~~for sensitive species and nongame~~ these
14 programs the commission shall not be limited to amounts
15 appropriated by the legislature pursuant to this
16 subsection. The commission shall prepare a separate
17 accounting of the expenses incurred in each fiscal year for
18 the operation and maintenance of programs funded through
19 legislative appropriation and shall include the accounting
20 in its annual report.

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22 (e) The commission shall prepare a separate budget
23 requesting general funds for the department's participation

1 in the state employee group insurance plan for the next
2 biennium as determined under W.S. 9-3-210(c) and shall
3 submit that budget for review, recommendation and approval
4 as provided in W.S. 9-2-1010 through 9-2-1014.1. Any funds
5 appropriated by the legislature which are specified for
6 this purpose shall be retained in a separate account,
7 expended only for this purpose and notwithstanding any
8 other provision of law shall not be transferred or expended
9 for any other purpose. The commission shall prepare a
10 separate accounting of the costs incurred in each fiscal
11 year as required under W.S. 9-3-210(c) shall include the
12 accounting in its annual report.

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14 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2014.

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