

[BUDGET(s) AFFECTED]

Section Under Consideration:

**Section 020. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**  
(Administration)

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1 Page 23-line 4 After "Administration" insert "1."; under  
2 GENERAL FUND increase amount by "150,000".  
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4 Page 23-after line 18 Insert:  
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6 "1. Of this general fund appropriation, one hundred fifty thousand  
7 dollars (\$150,000.00) shall be expended for a feasibility study on  
8 the state of Wyoming obtaining agreement status with the United  
9 States nuclear regulatory commission for licensing the possession  
10 of nuclear materials or byproduct nuclear materials, including  
11 thorium, from the mining and processing of rare earth elements.  
12 Not later than October 15, 2023, the department of environmental  
13 quality shall report to the joint minerals, business and economic  
14 development interim committee on the results of the study,  
15 including recommendations for whether the state of Wyoming should  
16 become an agreement state as described in this footnote and any  
17 necessary legislation."  
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19 To the extent required by this amendment: adjust totals; and  
20 renumber as necessary. BURKHART, GREER