

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0138

Select committee on government consolidation and reduction.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Zwonitzer, Connolly,
Harshman, Kirkbride, MacGuire, Stith and
Wilson and Senator(s) Biteman, Case and
Nethercott

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the administration of government;
2 creating the select committee on government consolidation
3 and reduction; providing for membership and duties of the
4 select committee; requiring reports; providing an
5 appropriation; 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.**

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11 (a) There is created the select committee on
12 government consolidation and reduction consisting of the
13 following members:

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1 (i) Five (5) members of the senate appointed by
2 the president of the senate. The president of the senate
3 shall designate a cochairman of the select committee;

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5 (ii) Five (5) members of the house of
6 representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of
7 representatives. The speaker of the house shall designate
8 a cochairman of the select committee.

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10 (b) Appointments to the select committee by each
11 presiding officer shall reflect as nearly as possible the
12 percentage of the elected membership of the majority and
13 minority parties of each house, provided that not more than
14 four (4) members appointed by each presiding officer shall
15 be from the same political party.

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17 (c) The select committee shall identify and recommend
18 standards and options for reorganizing, consolidating or
19 reducing the number of school districts, community
20 colleges, counties, cities and legislative districts in the
21 state and the number of legislative committees currently in
22 existence or created by the Wyoming legislature.

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1 (d) The select committee shall submit its findings
2 and any recommendations to the management council no later
3 than October 1, 2020, with a final report no later than
4 October 1, 2021. The management council shall review the
5 findings and recommendations and may sponsor any
6 legislation it deems appropriate for consideration by the
7 legislature.

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9 (e) The select committee shall hold at least six (6)
10 meetings per year. The select committee shall be staffed
11 by the legislative service office. School districts,
12 community colleges, counties and cities shall provide
13 information and assistance to the select committee as
14 requested by the select committee.

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16 (f) The select committee shall exist until December
17 31, 2021.

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19 **Section 2.** There is appropriated one hundred thousand
20 dollars (\$100,000.00) from the general fund to the
21 legislative service office for purposes of providing
22 salary, mileage and per diem to members of the select
23 committee on government consolidation and reduction and for

1 other expenses of the select committee authorized by law or
2 policy of the legislature. This appropriation shall be for
3 the period beginning with the effective date of this act
4 and ending June 30, 2022. This appropriation shall not be
5 transferred or expended for any other purpose and any
6 unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from this
7 appropriation shall revert as provided by law on June 30,
8 2020.

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

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15 (END)