

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0163

Water produced from geologic sequestration.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Steward, Lockhart, Lubnau
and Semlek

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to water; requiring water produced from
2 geologic sequestration of carbon dioxide in saline aquifers
3 to be for a beneficial use as specified; and providing for
4 an effective date.

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

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 41-3-909(a) by creating a new
9 paragraph (xi) is amended to read:

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11 **41-3-909. State engineer; powers generally.**

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13 (a) In the administration and enforcement of this act
14 and in the effectuation of the policy of the state to
15 conserve its underground water resources, the state

1 engineer is authorized and empowered on advice and consent
2 of the board of control:

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4 (xi) To require any person producing water from
5 geologic sequestration of carbon dioxide in saline aquifers
6 to adequately demonstrate that the water produced, unless
7 reinjecting below the surface or otherwise disposed of in
8 accordance with W.S. 35-11-101 et seq., will be put to a
9 beneficial use beyond the mere production, and to require
10 that person to obtain a permit under W.S. 41-3-904.

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12 **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon
13 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
14 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
15 Constitution.

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