

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0212

Statutory standing committees-federal review.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Pendergraft, Allemand, Banks, Heiner, Hornok, Jennings, Locke, Penn, Rodriguez-Williams, Slagle, Smith, Strock, Styvar, Tarver, Ward and Winter

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the legislature; requiring the
2 legislature to establish standing committees; creating the
3 standing committee on federal review; establishing powers
4 and duties of the federal review committee; and providing
5 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. 28-11-801 is created to read:

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CHAPTER 11

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STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES

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ARTICLE 8

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STANDING COMMITTEES

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3 **28-11-801. Standing committees established by the**
4 **legislature.**

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6 (a) The legislature shall establish the following
7 standing committees in both the senate and the house of
8 representatives:

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10 (i) Judiciary;

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12 (ii) Appropriations;

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14 (iii) Revenue;

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16 (iv) Education;

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18 (v) Agriculture, state and public lands and
19 water resources;

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21 (vi) Travel, recreation, wildlife and cultural
22 resources;

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1 (vii) Corporations, elections and political
2 subdivisions;

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4 (viii) Transportation, highways and military
5 affairs;

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7 (ix) Minerals, business and economic
8 development;

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10 (x) Labor, health and social services;

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12 (xi) Federal review;

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14 (xii) Journal;

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16 (xiii) Rules and procedure.

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18 (b) All standing committees except those created by
19 paragraphs (xii) and (xiii) of subsection (a) of this
20 section shall function as joint interim committees as
21 provided by W.S. 28-8-104(b).

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23 **Section 2.**

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2 (a) The federal review standing committees of the
3 senate and house of representatives created by this act
4 shall:

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6 (i) Review all federal action to determine if
7 the sovereignty of the state of Wyoming and the powers,
8 rights and liberties of its citizens, as legally defined
9 during the ratification debates of the several states in
10 ratifying the federal constitution of 1787, are being
11 infringed upon or diminished;

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13 (ii) Determine and make findings as to which
14 federal actions are not consistent with the enumerated
15 roles, responsibilities and powers in the United States
16 constitution. This duty shall be exercised without regard
17 for any United States supreme court or other judicial
18 decisions that attempt to interpret federal actions;

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20 (iii) Sponsor legislation, report to the
21 legislature and advise the legislature consistent with any
22 determinations and findings concerning the
23 constitutionality of federal actions.

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2 (b) For purposes of this section, "federal action"
3 means all new and existing federal laws, resolutions,
4 rules, regulations, decrees, orders, mandates, executive
5 orders and any other federal dictate having the force and
6 effect of law.

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

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