

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0218

State land exchanges-notice and posting.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Clausen, Hunt and Western
and Senator(s) Boner and Moniz

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to state lands; requiring the board of land
2 commissioners to promulgate notice and public comment
3 requirements for proposed land exchanges as specified; and
4 providing for 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. 36-1-111(a)(intro) is amended to
9 read:

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11 **36-1-111. Orders, rules and regulations relative to**
12 **exchange of lands.**

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14 (a) The board of land commissioners is hereby
15 authorized and empowered to pass and promulgate all such

1 orders, rules and regulations as may be necessary or
2 required relative to the appraisal and valuation of the
3 lands to be exchanged as provided in this act, and to
4 provide for the execution of conveyances, contracts and
5 other instruments pertaining to the exchange of the lands,
6 and to enable the director to effect and complete each
7 exchange of the lands. The rules shall include requirements
8 for providing immediate public notice and posting of any
9 proposal for land exchanges received by the office of state
10 lands and investments or made by the director. The rules
11 shall also provide an opportunity for public comment before
12 any exchange is completed under this section. The board may
13 authorize the purchase of lands only in an amount necessary
14 to effect and complete the exchange of state-owned lands
15 for other lands and only for those lands identified in the
16 authorization of purchase. The board shall not use the
17 power of eminent domain pursuant to W.S. 1-26-801 et seq.
18 to purchase any lands under this section. The board of land
19 commissioners is authorized to promulgate rules and
20 regulations necessary to implement the exchange of state
21 lands on a value for value basis. The exchange program may
22 authorize a cash equalization receipt or payment of up to
23 twenty-five percent (25%) of the value of the lands

1 exchanged. Any receipt shall be deposited into, and any
2 payment shall be made from, the permanent land fund. State
3 lands may be exchanged upon the board's finding the
4 exchange is necessary to:

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

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