

SENATE FILE NO. SF0011

Appropriation for the legislature.

Sponsored by: Management Council

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to appropriations for the legislature;
2 providing appropriations for the operation of the
3 legislative branch of state government; and providing for
4 effective dates.

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

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8 **Section 1.** There is appropriated from the general
9 fund to the legislative service office the following
10 specified amounts, or as much thereof as may be necessary,
11 to pay the costs and expenses of the Wyoming legislature
12 through June 30, 2016:

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14 SALARIES

15	LSO Staff Permanent/Temporary.....	\$6,636,321
16	Legislators - Session.....	1,162,740
17	Legislators - Interim	1,392,682

1	Session Staff.....	770,250
2	Employer Paid Benefits	3,044,748
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4	IN-STATE TRAVEL	
5	Mileage and Per Diem - Session.....	1,038,496
6	Mileage and Per Diem - Interim.....	943,691
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8	OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL	
9	Travel Expenses.....	118,800
10	Per Diem.....	203,800
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12	ANNUAL DUES	
13	National Conference of State Legislatures.....	233,026
14	The Energy Council.....	76,800
15	Council of State Governments.....	176,636
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17	REGISTRATION FEES.....	90,800
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19	TELECOMMUNICATIONS.....	160,000
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21	ITD SERVICES (Network connections & backup)...	100,000
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23	GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT [1.].....	1,189,097
24	(Information technology, copying,	

1 supplies and equipment, furniture,
 2 contract services, special projects, etc.)

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4 STATUTES, SESSION LAWS AND DIGESTS..... 405,000

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6 TOTAL..... \$17,742,887

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8 Footnotes to Section 1:

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10 1. Legislative laptop computers being replaced shall be
 11 sold in accordance with Management Council directives. Any
 12 proceeds received from the sale of any laptop computer
 13 shall be deposited into the general fund and are hereby
 14 reappropriated to the legislative service office to be used
 15 for the purchase of replacement laptop computers and
 16 support systems.

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18 **Section 2.** [Standard Provision-Flex]. The Management
 19 Council may transfer funds from one expense category to
 20 another under Section 1 of this act as the activities of
 21 the legislature may require.

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23 **Section 3.** [Standard Provision-Travel]. The
 24 appropriation for out-of-state travel under this act shall

1 be used to reimburse legislators for documented legislative
2 travel and per diem expenses to attend out-of-state
3 meetings including, but not limited to, the National
4 Conference of State Legislatures, the Council of State
5 Governments and the Energy Council. Travel authorization
6 and reimbursements shall be in accordance with policies of
7 the Management Council.

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9 **Section 4.** [Carry Forward of Prior Appropriations].

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11 (a) Notwithstanding W.S. 9-2-1008, 9-2-1012(e) and
12 9-4-207(a), the unobligated portions of the following
13 appropriations shall not revert on June 30, 2014, and are
14 hereby reappropriated to the legislative service office for
15 the following purposes:

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17 (i) Any unexpended, unobligated amounts
18 reappropriated for expenditure by the legislative service
19 office under 2012 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 101,
20 Section 7(a), are reappropriated for expenditure by the
21 legislative service office for the period commencing July
22 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2016. Expenditures of amounts
23 reappropriated under this paragraph shall be for
24 professional consulting expertise and other support

1 necessary to carry out and execute work of the legislature
2 pertaining to required K-12 education responsibilities,
3 issues and studies. Professional consulting expertise may
4 be retained by the legislative service office only upon
5 approval of the Management Council, and the unexpended,
6 unobligated amounts may be expended for contractual
7 agreements between the Council and professional
8 consultants;

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10 (ii) Any balance remaining on June 30, 2014,
11 resulting from the sale of legislative laptop computers
12 prior to that date is appropriated to the legislative
13 service office to be used for the purchase of replacement
14 laptop computers and support systems for the period July 1,
15 2014 through June 30, 2016;

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17 (iii) Any balance in the constituent service
18 allowance account created by W.S. 28-5-106(a) remaining on
19 June 30, 2014, is appropriated to the legislative service
20 office to fund the constituent service allowance for the
21 period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016.

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23 (b) This section is effective immediately.

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1 **Section 5.** [Constituent Service Allowance]. There is
2 appropriated from the general fund to the constituent
3 service allowance account created by W.S. 28-5-106(a) five
4 hundred fifteen thousand dollars (\$515,000.00) to fund
5 constituent service allowance reimbursements for the period
6 July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016.

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8 **Section 6.** [Technology Project].

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10 (a) There is appropriated eight hundred thirty-five
11 thousand dollars (\$835,000.00) from the general fund to the
12 legislative service office for continued development of the
13 legislative management system.

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15 (b) This section is effective immediately.

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17 **Section 7.** [Artwork/Facilities Appropriations].

18 There is appropriated from the general fund to the
19 legislative service office ten thousand dollars
20 (\$10,000.00) for miscellaneous furnishings and projects.

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22 **Section 8.** [New Legislator Training Compensation].

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1 (a) From and after the date the state canvassing
2 board certifies the results of the 2014 general election in
3 accordance with W.S. 22-16-118, legislators elect and newly
4 appointed legislators may, to the extent authorized by the
5 Management Council, receive mileage and per diem at the
6 same rate as members of the legislature plus an amount
7 equal to the daily salary paid to legislators for each day
8 spent at a legislative training function or at a meeting of
9 an interim committee to which they will be assigned.

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11 (b) There is appropriated from the general fund to
12 the legislative service office sixty-two thousand dollars
13 (\$62,000.00) or as much thereof as may be necessary for
14 purposes of this section.

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16 (c) As used in this section:

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18 (i) "Legislator elect" means a person elected to
19 the legislature during the 2014 general election who is not
20 a current member of legislature and before the person is
21 duly sworn in;

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23 (ii) "Newly appointed legislator" means a person
24 appointed after the 2014 general election to fill a vacancy

1 in the House or Senate and before the person is duly sworn
2 in.

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4 **Section 9.** [Reappropriation of School Foundation
5 Program Account Funds].

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7 (a) Notwithstanding W.S. 9-2-1008, 9-2-1012(e) and
8 9-4-207(a), any unexpended, unobligated monies appropriated
9 from the school foundation program account to the attorney
10 general under 2012 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 26,
11 Section 2, Section 015, for purposes of the school finance
12 litigation law office, shall not revert on June 30, 2014,
13 and are reappropriated for expenditure by the legislative
14 service office for the period commencing July 1, 2014 and
15 ending June 30, 2016. Expenditures of amounts
16 reappropriated under this paragraph shall be for
17 professional consulting expertise and other support
18 necessary to carry out and execute work of the legislature
19 pertaining to required K-12 education responsibilities,
20 issues and studies. Professional consulting expertise may
21 be retained by the legislative service office only upon
22 approval of the Management Council, and the unexpended,
23 unobligated amounts may be expended for contractual

1 agreements between the Council and professional
2 consultants.

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4 (b) This section is effective immediately.

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6 **Section 10.** [Effective Dates].

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8 (a) As used in this act, "effective immediately"
9 means effective immediately upon completion of all acts
10 necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article
11 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution. Any appropriation
12 contained in this act that is effective immediately shall
13 not lapse until June 30, 2016, unless otherwise specified.

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15 (b) Except as otherwise provided, this act is
16 effective July 1, 2014.

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18 (END)