

SENATE FILE NO. SF0086

School safety and security-funding.

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Hicks, Ide, Jones and Steinmetz and  
Representative(s) Conrad, Larson, JT,  
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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to education; creating the firearms on  
2 school property account; providing for reimbursement to  
3 school districts for costs related to possession of  
4 firearms on school property; authorizing rulemaking;  
5 providing a continuous appropriation; and providing for an  
6 effective date.

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

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 21-3-135 is created to read:

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12 **21-3-135. Firearms on school property account.**

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1           (a) There is created the firearms on school property  
2 account. The account shall include all legislative  
3 appropriations and all monies received from grants, gifts,  
4 transfers, bequests and donations to the account. The  
5 account is authorized to accept grants, gifts, transfers,  
6 bequests and donations. All monies received shall be  
7 deposited into the account. Notwithstanding W.S. 9-2-1008,  
8 9-2-1012(e) or 9-4-207, unobligated and unexpended funds in  
9 the account shall not lapse or revert and shall remain in  
10 the account and available for distribution as provided in  
11 this section.

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13           (b) Monies deposited into the firearms on school  
14 property account shall be continuously appropriated to and  
15 expended by the department of education to reimburse school  
16 districts only for costs related to possession of firearms  
17 on school property under W.S. 21-3-132(c)(iii)(A) and (B)  
18 and costs related to the rules adopted by each school  
19 district under W.S. 21-3-132. School districts shall apply  
20 to the department of education for reimbursement of the  
21 costs identified under this subsection on a form provided  
22 by the department within one (1) year of the expenses being  
23 incurred. As part of the application required under this

1 subsection, school districts shall submit final receipts  
2 and certificates of completion for each employee's training  
3 completed under W.S. 21-3-132(c)(iii)(A) and (B) or  
4 documents evidencing the expenses incurred by the rules  
5 adopted by the school district under W.S. 21-3-132.  
6 Reimbursement shall be limited to costs for which funding  
7 is not already provided by law. If there are insufficient  
8 funds to reimburse all school districts that apply for  
9 reimbursement under this section, the department of  
10 education shall prorate reimbursement among all approved  
11 school district applications in proportion to the amount of  
12 costs approved for reimbursement.

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14 (c) Funds in the firearms on school property account  
15 shall be invested by the state treasurer pursuant to law  
16 and the investment earnings shall be credited to the  
17 account.

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19 **Section 2.** The department of education may promulgate  
20 rules as necessary to implement this act.

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22 **Section 3.** There is appropriated one hundred thousand  
23 dollars (\$100,000.00) from the school foundation program

1 account to the firearms on school property account created  
2 in section 1 of this act. This appropriation shall not be  
3 transferred or expended for any other purpose.  
4 Notwithstanding W.S. 9-2-1008, 9-2-1012(e) and 9-4-207,  
5 this appropriation shall not revert. It is the intent of  
6 the legislature that this appropriation shall be included  
7 in the department of education's standard budget for the  
8 immediately succeeding fiscal biennium.

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10 **Section 4.** This act is effective July 1, 2024.

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