

SENATE FILE NO. SF0091

Charter school eligiblity-bonus payments.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Rothfuss, Coe and Wasserburger and
Representative(s) Moniz, Patton and Throne

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to charter schools; providing for charter
2 school participation in legislatively funded school
3 district salary adjustment; providing an appropriation for
4 initial adjustment; and 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. 21-3-313 by creating a new subsection
9 (c) and 21-3-314(c) by creating a new paragraph (iii) are
10 amended to read:

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12 **21-3-313. Charter schools; employee options.**

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14 (c) Effective school year 2015-2016 and each school
15 year thereafter, employees of a charter school shall, for

1 purposes of this subsection, be included as payroll of the
2 school district and shall be eligible to participate in any
3 salary adjustment for school district employees which is
4 funded by the legislature and is in addition to the
5 foundation program amount computed under W.S. 21-13-309(p).
6 Any amount computed and allocated pursuant to this
7 subsection shall be used exclusively by the governing body
8 of the charter school for charter school employee salary
9 adjustments as determined by the governing body.

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11 **21-3-314. Students counted among district ADM;**
12 **determination of charter school funding.**

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14 (c) As part of the charter school contract, the
15 charter school and the school district shall agree on
16 funding and any services to be provided by the school
17 district to the charter school. The charter school and the
18 school district shall begin discussions on the contract
19 using the following revenue assumptions:

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21 (iii) The charter school shall be entitled to
22 the benefit of one hundred percent (100%) of the amount
23 generated by the payroll of its employees in allocating any

1 school district salary adjustment pursuant to W.S.
2 21-3-313(c).

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4 **Section 2.** In addition to the amount appropriated
5 under 2014 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 26, Section 205,
6 Footnote 3(a)(ii) for school year 2015-2016 school district
7 employee salary adjustments, up to twenty thousand dollars
8 (\$20,000.00) is appropriated from the school foundation
9 program account to the department of education for charter
10 school employee salary adjustments for school year
11 2015-2016. Allocations under this section to charter
12 schools established and approved under W.S. 21-3-301
13 through 21-3-314 shall be computed by adding the total
14 payroll of approved charter school employees for the
15 2014-2015 school year to the appropriate school district
16 reported payroll for the same period as submitted under
17 2014 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 26, Section 205,
18 Footnote 3(a)(iii). The payroll additions shall be made
19 only to those districts qualifying under 2014 Wyoming
20 Session Laws, Chapter 26, Section 205, Section 3(a)(ii).
21 The department shall compute the proportionate payroll of
22 each qualifying district to the total payroll of all
23 qualifying districts, as adjusted under this section, and

1 shall determine the difference of the amounts computed for
2 each district whose payroll has been expanded to include
3 charter school employees, both before and after the
4 addition of charter school employee payrolls under this
5 section. The difference between the two (2) computed
6 amounts shall be distributed separate from the distribution
7 of the salary adjustment computed under 2014 Wyoming
8 Session Laws, Chapter 26, Section 205, Footnote 3(a)(ii)
9 prior to the addition of charter school employee payrolls,
10 and shall be made to each qualifying school district whose
11 payroll has been increased for charter school employees
12 under this section. Each recipient school district shall
13 subsequently allocate the amount distributed under this
14 section to the appropriate charter school governing body
15 for charter school employee salary adjustments as
16 determined by the governing body of the charter school.

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18 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2015.

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