SENATE FILE NO.

Prescription drugs technical assistance.

Sponsored by: Joint Labor, Health and Social Services Interim Committee

A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to prescription drugs; creating the
- 2 prescription drug consumer information and technical
- 3 assistance program within the department of health as
- 4 specified; providing an appropriation; authorizing
- 5 positions; and providing 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. 9-2-123 is created to read:

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- 11 9-2-123. Prescription drug consumer information and
- 12 technical assistance program.

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- 14 The prescription drug consumer information and technical
- 15 assistance program is created within the department of
- 16 health. The program shall provide Wyoming residents with

1 advice on the prudent use of prescription drugs and how to

2 access government and private prescription drug programs

3 and discounts. The program shall include consultation by

4 licensed pharmacists for individuals with respect to how

5 the individuals may, with the approval of the appropriate

6 prescribing health care professional, avoid dangerous drug

7 interactions and substitute more cost effective drugs for

8 the drugs prescribed.

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10 Section 2.

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12 (a) There is appropriated two hundred fifty thousand

13 dollars (\$250,000.00), or as much thereof as is necessary,

14 from the general fund to the department of health for the

15 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003, to implement the

16 purposes of this act.

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18 (b) The department of health is authorized two (2)

19 full-time equivalent positions and four (4) part-time

20 equivalent positions for the fiscal year beginning July 1,

21 2003, to implement the purposes of this act.

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1 Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2003.

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3 (END)

