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AN ACT providing an appropriation for the alleviation of specified conditions on the Wind River Indian Reservation through education programs; imposing conditions upon the expenditure of appropriated funds; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1.

- (a) The legislature finds that:
- (i) Conditions of severe unemployment, poverty and lack of adequate job skills exist on the Wind River Indian Reservation:
- (ii) Educational programs provided by Shoshone and Arapaho Indian Tribes address these conditions on the reservation;
- (iii) The Shoshone and Arapaho Indian Tribes are sovereign nations whose members are also citizens of the United States and residents of Wyoming;
- (iv) With assistance from the state of Wyoming, the Joint Tribal Council of the Shoshone and Arapaho Indian Tribes will be capable of continuing efforts to address conditions existing on the reservation through the provision of programs addressing the special educational needs of Indian students. The maintenance of these special educational programs unique to Indian students is of mutual benefit to the tribes and to the state, reducing future financial needs of those students as tribal members and as Wyoming residents for public education, job services, substance abuse services and income supplements.

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- (b) One hundred ninety-two thousand fifty-five dollars (\$192,055.00) is appropriated from the general fund to the governor. The governor shall enter into a contract with the Joint Tribal Council of the Shoshone and Arapaho Indian Tribes whereby the funds appropriated under this section shall be conveyed to the Joint Tribal Council to be expended by the council for program enhancements, services for students at risk of failure in school and other services essential to the success and welfare of students.
- (c) As part of the contract the Joint Tribal Council shall agree to report to the governor and the joint education interim committee on the expenditure of funds under this section and on the impact of the expenditures on student performance. The report shall be made not later than June 30, 2004.

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Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2003.

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| Speaker of the House | President of the Senate |
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| Governor | |
| TIME APPROVED: DATE APPROVED: | |
| I hereby certify that this act | originated in the Senate. |
| Chief Clerk | |