

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0122

State land leases.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Parady, Baker, Latta and
Reese and Senator(s) Geis and Schiffer

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to public lands; providing for industrial,
2 commercial and recreational public land leases as
3 specified; increasing the term of the lease; providing for
4 administration; amending related provisions; and providing
5 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. 36-5-114 through 36-5-116 are amended
10 to read:

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12 **36-5-114. Leasing for industrial, commercial and**
13 **recreational purposes; authority; rental fees; rules and**
14 **regulations.**

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1 (a) The board of land commissioners may lease for a
2 term of not more than ~~twenty-five (25)~~ seventy-five (75)
3 years, ~~with a preferential right to renew for successive~~
4 ~~like periods,~~ state lands for industrial, commercial and
5 recreational purposes.

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7 (b) The board may lease state lands for purposes
8 which shall bring about the ~~multiple~~ compatible use of the
9 surface area and shall inure to the greatest long term
10 benefit of the state land trust. Provided, however, that
11 nothing herein contained shall result in the substantive
12 impairment of existing leases or the preferential right to
13 the renewal thereof.

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15 (c) The board shall fix a rental value ~~on the basis~~
16 ~~of a definite amount per acre~~ based upon not less than the
17 fair market value of each use of the land. If the land to
18 be leased under this subsection was originally acquired by
19 the state for the benefit of the common school permanent
20 land fund, and is to be used by a Wyoming school district
21 for the construction and maintenance of school buildings
22 and facilities, the board may assess an annual rental fee
23 of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per acre or not less than
24 fair market value, whichever is less.

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(d) The board shall promulgate rules and regulations implementing policies, procedures and standards for the long-term leasing of state lands for industrial, commercial and recreational purposes under the provisions of W.S. 36-5-114 through 36-5-117, including provisions permitting the board to terminate a lease for good cause shown.

36-5-115. Leasing for industrial, commercial and recreational purposes; "recreational purposes" defined.

As used in ~~this act~~ W.S. 36-5-114 through 36-5-117 the term "recreational purposes" means land used for cabin sites, public camp sites, public parks and recreation areas, golf courses and any associated residential development, youth groups and ski or winter sports areas.

36-5-116. Leasing for industrial, commercial and recreational purposes; assignment or transfer.

Leases issued under the provisions of ~~this act~~ W.S. 36-5-114 through 36-5-117 shall not be assignable or transferable except with written consent of the board of land commissioners.

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2 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2004.

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