

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0125

Affordable housing study.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Pedersen, Esquibel,  
Goggles and Meuli and Senator(s) Peck

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to affordable housing; providing for a  
2 study of affordable housing in this state; providing for a  
3 report; providing an appropriation; and providing for an  
4 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.**

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10 (a) The governor's office shall conduct a study of  
11 affordable housing in this state. In conducting the study,  
12 the governor's office shall:

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14 (i) Review the housing needs in this state;

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16 (ii) Review all available affordable housing

1 programs currently in use or available for use in this  
2 state, whether federally, state or locally authorized;

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4 (iii) Review all available funding sources for  
5 affordable housing currently in use or available for use in  
6 this state, whether federally, state or locally funded;

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8 (iv) Consider funding mechanisms for affordable  
9 housing in this state;

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11 (v) Recommend an efficient system of  
12 administering affordable housing programs in this state  
13 considering and outlining fiscally responsible and  
14 comprehensive administration of housing programs by public  
15 and private agencies;

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17 (vi) Consider an efficient method of  
18 distributing any funds, including grants and loans,  
19 available for affordable housing throughout the state;

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21 (vii) Consider any other factor necessary for  
22 the improvement of availability of affordable housing in  
23 this state for low-income persons.

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1           (b) The governor's office may contract with the  
2 Wyoming Community Development Authority (WCDA) or other  
3 appropriate agency to carry out the purposes of this act.  
4 The department of family services and other agencies shall  
5 provide necessary administrative and technical assistance  
6 in carrying out the study authorized by this act.

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8           (c) Not later than November 1, 2006, the report shall  
9 be submitted to the joint minerals, business and economic  
10 development interim committee. The report shall in  
11 addition to findings, include any recommendations for  
12 implementations of findings, estimates of implementation  
13 and other costs and if necessary, proposed legislation  
14 enabling implementation of findings.

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16           **Section 2.** Twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00)  
17 is appropriated from the general fund to the governor's  
18 office for the purposes of this act.

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1           **Section 3.** This act is effective immediately upon  
2 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law  
3 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming  
4 Constitution.

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