

SENATE FILE NO. SF0034

Wyoming livestock board reorganization.

Sponsored by: Joint Agriculture, Public Lands and Water
Resources Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the Wyoming livestock board; modifying
2 the structure and powers of the board; authorizing a
3 position of executive officer of the board; removing the
4 state veterinarian as chief executive officer of the board;
5 modifying duties; providing an appropriation; and providing
6 for an effective date.

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

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 11-18-101(a), 11-18-103(a)(i) through
11 (iv) and 11-18-110 are amended to read:

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13 **11-18-101. Livestock board; creation; composition;**
14 **qualifications; appointment and term of members; removal;**
15 **vacancies; name defined.**

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1 (a) The Wyoming livestock board is created and shall
2 consist of ~~three (3) woolgrowers and four (4) stockmen~~
3 ~~engaged in other~~ seven (7) livestock ~~interests~~ producers.
4 They shall be appointed by the governor with the advice and
5 consent of the senate and may be removed by the governor
6 as provided in W.S. 9-1-202. The members shall be appointed
7 from each of the appointment districts pursuant to W.S.
8 9-1-218 and the appointment for each district shall be
9 rotated among the counties within the district. The members
10 shall serve for one (1) ~~six (6)~~ year term and until their
11 successors are appointed and qualified. In case of a
12 vacancy for any reason, the governor shall appoint a
13 qualified person to fill the vacancy in accordance with
14 W.S. 28-12-101. Each member of the Wyoming livestock board
15 shall be a qualified elector of the county from which he is
16 appointed and a resident of this state during his term of
17 office.

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19 **11-18-103. Livestock board; powers generally.**

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21 (a) In addition to powers and duties hereinafter
22 provided, the Wyoming livestock board may:

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1 (i) Appoint a director, who shall be the chief
2 executive officer of the board;

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4 ~~(i)~~ (ii) Appoint a state veterinarian who is a
5 graduate of a recognized veterinary college and licensed to
6 practice in Wyoming; ~~who shall be the chief executive~~
7 ~~officer of the board;~~

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9 ~~(ii)~~ (A) The state veterinarian may appoint
10 deputy state veterinarians, agents and assistants who shall
11 act under the direction of the Wyoming livestock board and
12 ~~its chief executive officer:~~ the state veterinarian;

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14 ~~(A)~~ (B) Deputy state veterinarians ~~must~~
15 shall be graduates of a veterinary college recognized by
16 the American Veterinary Medical Association and the state
17 board of veterinary medicine.

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19 (iii) Supervise and control the action of ~~its~~
20 ~~chief executive officer, all deputies and other employees~~
21 the director and the state veterinarian and prescribe their
22 duties and tenure of office;

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1 (iv) Remove ~~any of its appointees, subordinates~~
2 ~~or employees~~ the director or the state veterinarian at any
3 time for cause;

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5 **11-18-110. Director; deputy directors; term; powers**
6 **and duties generally; orders subject to review.**

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8 (a) The chief executive officer director shall serve
9 at the pleasure of and act as the secretary of the Wyoming
10 livestock board, subject to the rules and regulations of
11 the board. He may act for and perform the duties imposed by
12 law upon the board when the board is not in session, but an
13 order or regulation made by him is subject to review,
14 modification or annulment by the board at any subsequent
15 meeting.

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17 (b) The director shall supervise and control the
18 action of the deputy directors and other employees and
19 prescribe their duties and tenure of office.

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21 (c) The director may appoint deputy directors for
22 agency divisions. The deputy directors shall serve at the
23 pleasure of the director and are responsible to and under
24 the control and supervision of the director.

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2 **Section 2.** There is appropriated from the general
3 fund to the livestock board two hundred sixty-two thousand
4 five hundred dollars (\$262,500.00) for the biennium to fund
5 the director position pursuant to this act.

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7 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2006.

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