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FILE NO. 0059

ENROLLED ACT NO. 22, SENATE

FIFTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING  
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AN ACT relating to state lands; directing that the interest in certain state lands be transferred to the department of state parks and cultural resources; directing the interest in certain state lands be transferred to the game and fish commission; providing an appropriation; reducing an appropriation; and providing for an effective date.

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

**Section 1.**

(a) The board of land commissioners is authorized and directed to convey its right, title and interest, in the surface estate of the following described parcels of land to the department of state parks and cultural resources:

(i) For inclusion into Independence Rock state historic site, that portion of the NE1/4 of Section 16, Township 29 North, Range 86 West of the 6th P.M., Natrona County, Wyoming, containing 29.8 acres, more or less, and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the northeast corner of said Section 16, thence south 0°03' east, along the east boundary of said Section 16, to the point of intersection with the middle of the Sweetwater river; thence westerly, on a meander line through the NE1/4 of said section 16, following the middle of the Sweetwater river to the point of intersection with the easterly right-of-way line of Wyoming state highway no. 220, as said highway is now laid down and recorded; thence north 18°15' east, along the easterly R/W line of said highway, to the point of intersection with the north boundary of said section 16; thence north 89°58' east, along the north boundary of said section 16, a distance of 1794.27 feet, to the point of beginning; excepting therefrom a 1 acre parcel known as the centennial acre described as follows:

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commencing at the northeast corner of said Section 16; thence south 89°58' west, along the north line of said section 16, a distance of 1289.52 feet to the point of beginning of the tract to be described; thence continuing south 89°58' west, along said north line a distance of 198.0 feet; thence south 00°92' east, a distance of 220.00 feet; thence north 89°58' east, a distance of 198.00 feet; thence north 00°02' west, a distance of 220.00 feet to the point of beginning;

(ii) For inclusion into Curt Gowdy state park, the south 1/2 of the north 1/2 of the southwest 1/4 of Section 16, Township 14, Range 70, west of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Laramie County, Wyoming, containing 40.0 acres, more or less, and that portion of the north 1/2 of the north 1/2 of the southwest 1/4 of Section 16, Township 14, Range 70, west of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Laramie County, Wyoming, containing 1.6 acres, more or less, and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point that bears south 51°32' east a distance of 1052.1 feet from the west 1/4 corner of Section 16; thence north 0°20' east a distance of 160.0 feet to a point; thence north 78°50' east a distance of 329.5 feet to a point; thence south 43°57' east a distance of 260.3 feet to a point; thence south 89°35' west a distance of 462.8 feet more or less to the point of beginning;

(iii) For inclusion into Fort Phil Kearny state historic site, a tract of land containing 444.32 acres, more or less, located east of the "old U.S. highway 87" and in part of Section 10 and part of Section 15, Township 53 north, range 83 west, of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Sheridan County, Wyoming, being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the east 1/4 corner of said Section 15 monumented by a 1 1/2" aluminum cap; thence north 02°35'37" east, 2648.54 feet along the east line of said Section 15

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to the northeast corner of said Section 15 monumented by a 1 1/2" aluminum cap; thence along the east line of said Section 10, north 00°04'22" east, 2646.13 feet to the east 1/4 corner of said Section 10, monumented by a 4" brass cap; thence along said east line of Section 10, north 00°09'47" west, 1214.01 feet to a 2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 2615; thence north 89°37'57" west, 4325.79 feet to a point on the east line of said "old U.S. highway 87", monumented by a 2" aluminum cap stamped PLS 2615; thence along said easterly right-of-way of "old U.S. highway 87", south 24°05'11" east, 1457.27 feet to a WYDOT ROW monument; thence along said easterly right-of-way of "old U.S. highway 87", north 67°09'17" east, 25.09 feet to a WYDOT ROW monument; thence along said easterly right-of-way of "old U.S. highway 87", south 24°03'12" east, 798.19 feet to a WYDOT ROW monument; thence along said easterly right-of-way of "old U.S. highway 87", south 66°57'04" west, 25.50 feet to a WYDOT ROW monument; thence along said easterly right-of-way of "old U.S. highway 87", south 23°58'44" east, 541.70 feet to a WYDOT ROW monument; thence along said easterly right-of-way of "old U.S. highway 87" following a curve to the right having the following curve data: Length=868.70 feet, radius=5,804.58 feet and a delta angle=8°34'29"; thence along said easterly right-of-way of "old U.S. highway 87", south 15°26'44" east, 383.90 feet; thence along said easterly right-of-way of "old U.S. highway 87", north 74°33'16" east, 25.00 feet; thence along said easterly right-of-way of "old U.S. highway 87", south 15°26'44" east, 402.36 feet to a point on the west line of the NW1/4NE1/4 of said Section 15; thence along the said west line of the NW1/4NE1/4 of Section 15, north 01°36'39" east, 327.93 feet to the north 1/4 corner of said Section 15 monumented by a 1 1/2" aluminum cap; thence along the north line of said Section 15, south 87°59'37" east, 1326.19 feet to the east 1/16 corner of said Section 10 and Section 15; thence along the east line of NW1/4NE1/4 of

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said Section 15, south  $02^{\circ}02'26''$  west, 1325.01 feet; thence along the south line of said NW1/4NE1/4 of Section 15, north  $88^{\circ}01'44''$  west, 1007.31 feet to a point on the easterly right-of-way of said "old U.S. highway 87"; thence along said easterly right-of-way of said "old U.S. highway 87" following a spiral curve to the left being 100 feet offset and parallel to the following centerline spiral curve data:  $Is=6^{\circ}18'$ ,  $Ts=209.9$ ,  $O=3.85$ ,  $Ls=420$  and a chord=321.97 feet and a bearing=south  $18^{\circ}17'08''$  east; thence along said easterly right-of-way of said "old U.S. highway 87" following a curve to the left having the following curve data: Length=670.19, radius=1,809.86 feet and a delta angle= $21^{\circ}13'$ ; thence along said easterly right-of-way of said "old U.S. highway 87" following a spiral curve to the left being 100 feet offset and parallel to the following centerline spiral curve data:  $Is=6^{\circ}18'$ ,  $Ts=209.9$ ,  $O=3.85$ ,  $Ls=420$  and a chord=408.79 feet and bearing=south  $47^{\circ}19'37''$  east; thence along said easterly right-of-way of said "old U.S. highway 87", south  $49^{\circ}24'23''$  east, 243.11 feet; thence along said easterly right-of-way of "old U.S. highway 87" following a spiral curve to the right being 100 feet offset and parallel to the following centerline spiral curve data:  $Is=2^{\circ}48'$ ,  $Ts=140$ ,  $O=1.14$ ,  $Ls=280$  and a chord=89.11 feet and a bearing=south  $49^{\circ}16'27''$  east; thence along the east-west mid-section line of said Section 15, south  $88^{\circ}05'34''$  east, 1,248.47 feet to the east 1/4 corner of said Section 15 and being the point of beginning of said description monumented by a 1 1/2" aluminum cap; and the NW1/4NE1/4 of Section 15, Township 53 north, Range 83 west of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.; excepting therefrom a tract of land containing .75 acres, more or less, conveyed to the Wyoming recreation commission in quitclaim deed dated April 14, 1981, recorded in book 259 at page 571 of the Sheridan County, Wyoming records;

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(iv) For inclusion in Fort Phil Kearny state historic site, a tract of land containing 710.602 acres, more or less, in Township 53 north, Range 83 west of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Johnson County, Wyoming, located in the S1/2, Section 26, SE1/4, Section 27, E1/2SE1/4, E1/2NE1/4, NW1/4NE1/4, Section 34, part of Section 35, Township 53 N, Range 83 west, being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point monumented by a 2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663, located south 88°08'53" east a distance of 156.83 feet from the north 1/4 corner of said Section 35 monumented by a 3 1/2" aluminum cap and being on a line common to the NE corner of said Section 35 monumented by a GLO brass cap north 89°27'13" east a distance of 2639.01 feet and being the basis of bearing of said description; thence south 62°25'04" west a distance of 407.84 feet to a 2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; thence south 36°09'18" east a distance of 245.05 feet to a 2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; thence south 47°56'30" east a distance of 1193.40 feet to a 2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; thence south 14°54'35" east a distance of 2128.65 feet to a 2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; thence south 39°31'51" west a distance of 609.92 feet to a 2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; thence south 86°52'54" west a distance of 3116.95 feet to a 2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; thence north 62°43'54" west a distance of 2034.02 feet to a point on the west line of said E1/2SE1/4 of Section 34 monumented by a 2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; thence north 00°33'07" west a distance of 380.20 feet along said west line of E1/2SE1/4 of Section 34 of the center-east 1/16 corner of said Section 34 monumented by a 2 1/2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; thence along the west line of the SE1/4NE1/4 of said Section 34, north 00°33'05" west a distance of 1300.45 feet to the NE1/16 corner monumented by a 2 1/2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; thence along the south line of said NW1/4NE1/4 of Section 34, south 89°45'23" west a distance of 1322.27 feet to the center-north 1/16 corner of said

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Section 34 monumented by a 2 1/2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; thence along the north-south mid-Section line of said Section 34, north 00°39'57" west a distance of 1297.75 feet to the north 1/4 corner of said Section 34 monumented by a 1 1/2" aluminum cap; thence along the north-south mid-Section line of said Section 27, north 00°59'03" east a distance of 2351.28 feet to a 2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; thence north 89°49'43" east a distance of 330.00 feet to a 2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; thence north 00°59'03" east a distance of 264.00 feet to a point on the east-west mid-Section line of said Section 27 monumented by a 2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; thence along said mid-Section line north 89°49'43" east a distance of 2317.41 feet to the true position of the east 1/4 corner of said Section 27 monumented by a witness corner located north 00°42'59" east a distance of 52.00 feet and being a 1 1/2" aluminum cap; thence south 74°25'44" east a distance of 695.40 feet to a 2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; thence south 61°33'50" east a distance of 145.42 feet to a 2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; thence south 25°54'51" east a distance of 662.63 feet to a 2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; thence north 65°58'23" east a distance of 731.13 feet to a 2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; thence south 25°31'12" east a distance of 2315.96 feet to the point of beginning monumented by a 2" aluminum cap stamped PELS 8663; excepting therefrom a tract of land in the SW1/4, Section 26 as conveyed to Sheridan County in instrument recorded November 12, 1935 in book 61 of deeds, page 53; excepting therefrom a tract of land in the SW1/4, Section 26, Township 53 north, Range 83 west as conveyed to the Historical Landmark Commission of Wyoming in instrument recorded December 19, 1955 in book 87A-1 of deeds, page 167;

(v) For inclusion in Sinks Canyon state park, a parcel in Township 32 north, Range 100 west, 6th p.m.,

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Section 8: NE1/4SE1/4 and Section 9: NW1/4SW1/4, containing 80 acres, more or less;

(vi) For inclusion in Bear River state park, a tract of land in the N1/2NE1/4 of Section 27, Township 15 North, Range 120 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Uinta County, Wyoming, said tract being more particularly described as follows: beginning at the northeast corner of said Section 27, running thence south 001'37" W, 1200.00 feet along the east line thereof; thence north 6546'09" W, 2044.61 feet to the easterly right-of-way line of the Union Pacific Railroad; thence north 2435'49" west, 401.77 feet along said right-of-way line to a point on the north line of said Section 27; thence south 8952'28" east, 2032.27 feet along said north line to the point of beginning, said tract containing 34.20 acres, more or less.

(b) The board of land commissioners is authorized and directed to convey its right, title and interest, in the surface estate of the following described parcels of land to the game and fish commission:

(i) A parcel of land in Section 18, Township 52 north, Range 82 west, of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Johnson County, Wyoming, bound on the east and north sides by the low water line of Lake DeSmet and on the west and south sides by a line being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point of low water on the west side of Lake DeSmet; thence north 90°00'00" west to a point on the shore of said lake which bears north 86°17'14" east a distance of 3655.76 feet from the west 1/4 corner of Section 18 (a brass cap set in concrete) for which a certified land corner recordation had been filed in the office of the Johnson County clerk; thence south 64°11'12" west a distance of 253.80 feet; thence south 40°41'08" west a distance of 425.28 feet; thence south 72°37'54" west a

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distance of 373.55 feet to a point of curve; thence around a curve to the right, through a central angle of  $60^{\circ}12'18''$ , an arc distance of 461.56 feet, a chord bearing of north  $77^{\circ}15'57''$  west 440.62 feet to the point of tangent; thence north  $47^{\circ}09'48''$  west a distance of 249.80 feet; thence south  $42^{\circ}50'12''$  west a distance of 24.00 feet to the easterly right-of-way line of County road no. 213 (Monument road); thence along said County road right-of-way north  $23^{\circ}23'58''$  west a distance of 111.36 feet; thence north  $66^{\circ}36'02''$  east a distance of 42.75 feet; thence south  $47^{\circ}09'48''$  east a distance of 334.49 feet to a point of curve; thence around a curve to the left, through a central angle of  $60^{\circ}12'18''$ , an arc distance of 398.51 feet, a chord bearing of south  $77^{\circ}15'57''$  east, 380.43 feet to the point of tangent; thence north  $72^{\circ}37'54''$  east a distance of 117.01 feet to a point of curve; thence around a curve to the left, through a central angle of  $78^{\circ}44'59''$ , an arc distance of 521.27 feet, a chord bearing of north  $33^{\circ}15'24''$  east, 481.19 feet to a point of tangent; thence north  $06^{\circ}07'06''$  west a distance of 778.53 feet; thence north  $16^{\circ}24'31''$  west a distance of 288.33 feet; thence north  $76^{\circ}16'39''$  west a distance of 411.58 feet; thence north  $00^{\circ}51'43''$  west a distance of 263.20 feet to a point on the shore of Lake DeSmet, said point bears north  $58^{\circ}10'31''$  east a distance of 3030.95 feet from the west 1/4 corner of Section 18; thence north  $00^{\circ}00'00''$  east to the low water line, the point of ending. The basis of bearing for this survey and description is  $N00^{\circ}01'27''E$  between the southwest corner and the west 1/4 of Section 18; excepting therefrom a track of land in the SE1/4NW1/4 being 50 feet wide and 200 feet long in the SE1/4NW1/4, as conveyed to the historical land mark commission of the state of Wyoming in instrument recorded April 6, 1940 in book 66 of deeds, page 397; excepting therefrom a tract of land 80 feet in width across the NE1/4NW1/4, NE1/4SW1/4, E1/2SE1/4 Section 18 as conveyed to the board of County commissioners of Johnson



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County, Wyoming in instrument recorded November 29, 1966 in book 87A-8 of deed records, page 335; excepting therefrom all that land in Section 18, Township 52 north, Range 82 west of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. encompassed within the boundaries of Lake DeSmet reservoir as shown on the official plat of Township 52 north, Range 82 west of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. approved September 17, 1881 as conveyed to the Lake DeSmet counties coalition, a joint powers board in instrument recorded February 12, 2001 in book 87A-43 of deeds, page 609; also excepting therefrom that area lying within the circumferential boundary of that body of water known as Lake DeSmet Reservoir in Johnson County, Wyoming; that boundary being defined at an elevation of 4620 feet above mean sea level lying within the original meander line of Lake DeSmet, shown on the official plat of Township 52 north, Range 82 west of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., approved September 17, 1881 and a portion of lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and NW1/4SE1/4 Section 18, Township 52 north, Range 82 west, of the 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. as conveyed to the Lake DeSmet counties coalition, a joint powers board, in instrument recorded February 12, 2001, in book 87A-43 of deeds, page 613, more particularly described on page 620 thereof; also excepting therefrom a tract of land conveyed to Lake DeSmet properties, LLC, a Wyoming limited liability company, as contained in warranty deed dated September 15, 2005, recorded September 15, 2005 in book 87A-50 of deeds, page 62; also excepting therefrom a tract of land conveyed to G&G Ag Enterprises, LLC, a Wyoming limited liability company, as contained in special warranty deed dated January 4, 2006, recorded January 6, 2006, in book 87A-50 of deeds, page 412. Said parcel of land containing 15.3 acres, more or less.

(c) The conveyances authorized by subsections (a) and (b) of this section shall be by sale at an appraised value, with terms of the sale to be determined by the board of

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land commissioners and the department of state parks and cultural resources and the game and fish commission.

**Section 2.**

(a) There is appropriated an amount not to exceed six million dollars (\$6,000,000.00) from the budget reserve account to the state land board for the period beginning with the effective date of this act and ending June 30, 2008 for purposes of funding the purchases provided in section 1 of this act. Any funds that are unexpended after June 30, 2008 shall revert to the budget reserve account.

(b) The general fund appropriation for the department of state parks and cultural resources appropriated in 2006 Session Laws, Chapter 35, Section 2, Section 024 shall be reduced by ten thousand eight hundred seventy-one dollars (\$10,871.00).

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

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Governor

TIME APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

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Chief Clerk