

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0043

Military department leasing fees.

Sponsored by: Joint Transportation, Highways and Military
Affairs Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the military department; authorizing the
2 military department to retain and expend monies generated
3 by grazing leases; requiring annual reports; and providing
4 for an 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.** W.S. 19-7-205 is created to read:

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10 **19-7-205. Funds generated by the lease of lands.**

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12 (a) Monies generated by the lease for grazing of
13 lands owned in fee by the military department and which are
14 not state lands as defined in W.S. 36-1-101(a)(iv), may be
15 utilized by the military department for the operation and
16 maintenance of such lands. Funds collected from these

1 grazing leases shall be deposited in a special account
2 created to receive such funds, shall be continuously
3 appropriated to the department and expended solely for the
4 purposes specified in this section.

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6 (b) At the end of each fiscal year, after the
7 purposes provided in subsection (a) of this section have
8 been fully funded from the annual grazing lease proceeds,
9 remaining funds shall be deposited to a special reserve
10 account. Eighty percent (80%) of the funds within the
11 special reserve account may be expended in subsequent
12 fiscal years for the department's general operations and,
13 subject to the limitation of this subsection, twenty
14 percent (20%) shall be retained and expended only for
15 emergency contingencies, as declared by the governor, for
16 operations and maintenance of the lands leased under
17 subsection (a) of this section. At any time restricted
18 emergency funds in the reserve account equal the annual
19 average of gross grazing lease receipts for the prior three
20 (3) years, all other funds within the reserve account or to
21 be deposited to the reserve account may be used for the
22 department's general operations. Funds within the reserve
23 account are continuously appropriated for purposes of this
24 subsection.

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(c) The department shall annually report to the joint transportation, highways and military affairs interim committee the monies generated under subsection (a) of this section and how those monies were expended by the department.

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8 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2009.

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10 (END)