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ENROLLED ACT NO. 12, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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AN ACT relating to economic development; providing for grants under the Wyoming business ready community program; expanding projects available for funding; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 9-12-601 by creating a new subsection (j) and by renumbering (j) as (k) is amended to read:

9-12-601. Wyoming business ready community program; purpose; creation; rulemaking.

- (j) Grants may be made by the council for projects, in accordance with rules of the council, which:
- (i) Improve the development of businesses that will provide data generation and information technology storage capabilities statewide or in municipalities of the state;
- (ii) Encourage and provide for the expansion of existing businesses providing information technology storage enterprises in the state, including those developed through the University of Wyoming business technology center;
- (iii) Provide a reduction of the costs of electrical power or bandwidth, or both, to businesses meeting the provisions of paragraph (j)(i) or (ii) of this section. In exchange for providing these reductions in costs, the political subdivision receiving the grant and providing the reduction in costs shall contract with the business to receive direct benefits and indirect economic development benefits including:

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- technology storage services to the state or the political subdivision at a price discounted from the fair market value of the services; and
- reasonable rate of return any funds received to reduce costs if the business relocates from the political subdivision prior to the expiration of five (5) years from the date of first receiving funds.
 - $\frac{(i)}{(k)}$ As used in this article:
- (i) "Community development organization" means as defined by W.S. 9-12-301(a)(ii);
- (ii) "State development organization" means as defined by W.S. 9-12-301(a) (iv).

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

(END)

Speaker of the House	President of the Senate
Governor	
TIME APPROVED:	
DATE APPROVED:	
I hereby certify that this act orig	inated in the House.
Chief Clerk	