ORIGINAL SENATE FILE NO. 0077

ENROLLED ACT NO. 47, SENATE

SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2012 BUDGET SESSION

AN ACT relating to the administration of government; modifying the public finance website to provide a process for lodging concerns regarding competition by government entities with the private sector; providing definitions; making conforming amendments; amending reporting requirement; and providing for an effective date.

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

**Section 1.** W.S. 9-2-1035(a)(iv), by creating a new paragraph (vi) and by renumbering (vi) as (vii) and 9-2-1036(a), (b)(intro), (vi), (vii), by creating a new paragraph (viii), (c)(intro), (f) and (g) are amended to read:

## 9-2-1035. Definitions.

(a) As used in this act:

(iv) "Participating state entity" or "state entity" means the state of Wyoming government including the executive, legislative and judicial branches of government and any department, division, agency, board, commission or other instrumentality of those branches. For purposes of W.S. 9-2-1036(b)(viii), "state entity" shall also include the University of Wyoming;

(vi) "Local government entity" means any county, municipality, joint powers board or special district of Wyoming;

(vi) (vii) "This act" means W.S. 9-2-1035 through 9-2-1037.

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9-2-1036. Wyoming public finance and expenditure of funds website.

(a) There is created the Wyoming public finance <u>and</u> <u>expenditure of funds</u> website to be administered by the department.

(b) The purpose of the Wyoming public finance <u>and</u> <u>expenditure of funds</u> website is to:

(vi) Be directly accessible via a link from the main page of the official state website; and

(vii) Include other links, features or functions that will assist the public in obtaining and reviewing public financial information; - and

(viii) Allow Wyoming citizens to lodge concerns relating to Wyoming state or local government entities expending funds in a manner which the citizen believes unfairly competes with the private sector in providing commercial activities. At a minimum, in implementing this paragraph, the website shall include:

(A) A link entitled "government competition concerns" which contains a means for a citizen to lodge a concern with governmental competition including:

(I) The entity involved;

(II) The activity involved;

<u>(III) Whether the concern is a result</u> of a specific instance or ongoing activity; ORIGINAL SENATE FILE NO. 0077

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(IV) The effect of the competition on the citizen's commercial activity, if applicable;

(V) A means to contact the citizen for further information, if necessary.

(B) Access to all information submitted pursuant to this paragraph, including access to summary data.

(c) The department shall: be:

(f) Not later than January 1, 2010, the website shall be operational and permit access to the public financial information of participating state entities. <u>Not later</u> than June 30, 2012 the website shall incorporate features implementing the provisions of paragraph (b) (viii) of this section.

(g) The state chief information officer shall provide an annual report to the committee on all initiatives, projects and expenditures under this act. <u>Beginning July</u> 1, 2013, the annual report shall include:

(i) The number of concerns with unfair competition received;

(ii) For each government entity subject to a lodged concern, the number of concerns lodged and number of citizens lodging concerns;

(iii) For each state entity which is the subject of a concern, a summary of the complaint and any action the entity reports to the department that was taken in response to the complaint. ORIGINAL SENATE FILE NO. 0077

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**Section 2.** 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.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

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

DATE APPROVED:

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

Chief Clerk