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INTRODUCTION**

SENATE FILE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

State lands-improvements.

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

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to state lands; providing for separate  
2 improvements on state lands; increasing maximum value of  
3 permissible improvements; providing a valuation time for  
4 the improvements as specified; and providing for an  
5 effective date.

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

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 36-5-110 is amended to read:

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11 **36-5-110. Right to make and remove improvements.**

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1 A lessee of state lands shall have the right to construct  
2 or make improvements upon state lands in ~~the amount of an~~  
3 amount not to exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) per  
4 section for each separate improvement, without first  
5 obtaining permission. If the lessee or any other person  
6 desires to construct or make improvements upon state lands  
7 in excess of the value of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00)  
8 per section for each separate improvement, he shall file an  
9 application for permission to construct or make the  
10 improvements with the director, which shall be subject to  
11 allowance or rejection as the best interests of the state  
12 require. The director shall have authority to grant  
13 permission to construct improvements in excess of two  
14 thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) per section for each separate  
15 improvement for fencing, water development, livestock  
16 handling facilities and range enhancements. Any other  
17 improvement in excess of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00)  
18 per section for each separate improvement shall be applied  
19 for under a special use permit. Unless permission has been  
20 obtained in the manner provided by this section, the owner  
21 of ~~the improvements~~ any improvement in excess of the value  
22 of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) per section at the time  
23 of construction of the improvement shall not be entitled to

1 compensation therefor as provided by W.S. 36-5-111 and  
2 36-9-105, and upon the expiration of the lease the  
3 improvements shall forfeit to and become the property of  
4 the state; except, that within one hundred twenty (120)  
5 days from the date of the expiration of the lease, the  
6 owner may remove such improvements in a manner which  
7 minimizes injury to the land.

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9 **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon  
10 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law  
11 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming  
12 Constitution.

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