

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0125

Affordable housing study.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Pedersen and Senator(s)
Peck

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to affordable housing; providing for a
2 study of affordable housing in this state; providing for a
3 report; providing an appropriation; and providing for an
4 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.**

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10 (a) The governor's office shall conduct a study of
11 affordable housing in this state. In conducting the study,
12 the governor's office shall:

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14 (i) Review the housing needs in this state;

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1 (ii) Review all available affordable housing
2 programs currently in use or available for use in this
3 state, whether federally, state or locally authorized;

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5 (iii) Review all available funding sources for
6 affordable housing currently in use or available for use in
7 this state, whether federally, state or locally funded;

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9 (iv) Consider funding mechanisms for affordable
10 housing in this state;

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12 (v) Recommend an efficient system of
13 administering affordable housing programs in this state
14 considering the potential administration of the programs by
15 public and private agencies;

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17 (vi) Consider an efficient method of
18 distributing any funds, including grants and loans,
19 available for affordable housing throughout the state;

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21 (vii) Consider any other factor necessary for
22 the improvement of availability of affordable housing in
23 this state for low-income persons.

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1 (b) The governor's office may contract with the
2 Wyoming Community Development Authority (WCDA) or other
3 appropriate agency to carry out the purposes of this act.
4 The department of family services and other agencies shall
5 provide necessary administrative and technical assistance
6 in carrying out the study authorized by this act.

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8 (c) Not later than December 1, 2006, the report shall
9 be submitted to the joint labor, health and social services
10 interim committee. The report shall in addition to
11 findings, include any recommendations for implementations
12 of findings, estimates of implementation and other costs
13 and if necessary, proposed legislation enabling
14 implementation of findings.

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16 **Section 2.** Twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00)
17 is appropriated from the general fund to the governor's
18 office for the purposes of this act.

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

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