

SENATE FILE NO. SF0100

College and job aptitude tests-state payment.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Boggs and Scott and
Representative(s) Harshman and Wasserburger

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to education; providing for administration
2 of curriculum based achievement college entrance
3 examinations and jobs skills assessment tests throughout
4 the state; providing an appropriation; 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. 21-2-202(a) by creating a new
10 paragraph (xxx) and 21-3-110(a) by creating a new paragraph
11 (xxix) are amended to read:

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13 **21-2-202. Duties of the state superintendent.**

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15 (a) In addition to any other duties assigned by law,
16 the state superintendent shall:

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2 (xxx) Effective school year 2006-2007 and each
3 school year thereafter, in consultation and coordination
4 with local school districts, by rule and regulation
5 establish a program of administering a standardized,
6 curriculum based, achievement college entrance examination
7 and a job skills assessment test selected by the state
8 superintendent to all students in the eleventh grade
9 throughout the state as provided in W.S. 21-3-110(a)(xxix).
10 The examination and test shall be selected by the state
11 superintendent, be administered throughout the United
12 States and be relied upon by institutions of higher
13 education. The college entrance examination shall at a
14 minimum test in the areas of reading, writing and
15 mathematics. The jobs skills assessment test shall at a
16 minimum test in the areas of applied math, reading for
17 information and locating information. The state
18 superintendent shall pay all costs associated with
19 administering the college entrance examination and the jobs
20 skills assessment test and shall schedule a day during
21 which both examinations shall be provided to and one (1)
22 shall be administered to all eleventh grade students
23 throughout the state. The date shall be selected so that
24 following receipt of scores, students may timely register

for senior year classes which may be necessary to allow the student to qualify for a state provided scholarship. The state superintendent may enter into agreements with an administrator of the college entrance examination and an administrator of the jobs skills assessment test and adopt rules as necessary to ensure compliance with any requirements of an administrator, such as a secure environment.

21-3-110. Duties of boards of trustees.

(a) The board of trustees in each school district shall:

(xxix) Beginning in the spring semester 2007, and each spring semester thereafter, administer a program where all students enrolled in the eleventh grade in the district shall be required to take, on a date specified by the state superintendent, either a standardized, curriculum based, achievement college entrance examination or a jobs skills assessment test in accordance with W.S. 21-2-202(a)(xxx). Each school district shall provide the opportunity for all home school and private school students in the eleventh grade and residing within the district to

take either the examination or the jobs skills assessment test one (1) time at no cost to the student on the same date the examination and test are administered to all eleventh grade public school students in the state. The results of the examination or jobs skills assessment test taken shall be included in each student's transcript.

Section 2. There is appropriated six hundred two thousand eight hundred dollars (\$602,800.00) for the fiscal biennium, commencing July 1, 2007 from the general fund to the state superintendent of public instruction for purposes of this act to ensure each Wyoming eleventh grade student is provided an opportunity to take a curriculum based achievement college entrance examination or a jobs skills assessment test at no cost. The state superintendent shall enter into agreements with an administrator of the selected college entrance examination and with an administrator of the selected jobs skills assessment test to ensure each Wyoming eleventh grade student is provided the opportunity to take either one (1) examination or one (1) test at no cost.

1 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2006.

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