

SENATE FILE NO. SF0060

State parks-site interpretation.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Massie, Burns and Ross and
Representative(s) Iekel, Slater and Thompson

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to state parks and cultural resources;
2 providing for historic site interpretation; authorizing
3 positions; providing appropriations; requiring reports; and
4 providing for an 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) Two million eight hundred thirty-eight thousand
11 one hundred fifty-four dollars (\$2,838,154.00) is
12 appropriated from the budget reserve account to the
13 department of state parks and cultural resources for the
14 period beginning July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2008 for
15 the following purposes:

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1 (i) Seven hundred eighty-five thousand six
2 hundred forty-one dollars (\$785,641.00) for the
3 construction of exhibits to display artifacts, photographs
4 and maps, the creation of kiosks and signs and the
5 distribution of printed materials to aid in the
6 interpretation of Wyoming's human and natural histories at
7 the parks and historic sites under the management of the
8 department;

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10 (ii) Seven hundred thirty-one thousand three
11 hundred seventy dollars (\$731,370.00) for the purchase of
12 equipment, computers, web cameras and other technologies
13 and the development of audio and video presentations to
14 enhance educational opportunities and promote a better
15 understanding of Wyoming's natural and historical legacies
16 for visitors at the parks and historic sites or persons
17 accessing a web site of the parks and historic sites
18 developed by the department;

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20 (iii) One million three hundred twenty-one
21 thousand one hundred forty-three dollars (\$1,321,143.00)
22 for the restoration and renovation of historic buildings
23 and rooms and their interpretation for the public at the
24 historic sites under the management of the department.

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2 (b) Two hundred sixty-seven thousand three hundred
3 sixty-seven dollars (\$267,367.00) is appropriated from the
4 general fund to the department of state parks and cultural
5 resources for the period beginning July 1, 2007 and ending
6 June 30, 2008, and one (1) full-time position is authorized
7 to oversee and manage the interpretive program and fifteen
8 (15) seasonal positions are authorized to research and
9 develop interpretive materials and to provide living
10 history demonstrations, lectures, other public
11 presentations and tours that convey the significance of
12 Wyoming's natural and cultural resources to visitors at the
13 parks and historic sites under the management of the
14 department.

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16 (c) Any unexpended funds appropriated under
17 subsection (a) of this section shall not revert to the
18 budget reserve account on June 30, 2008, but shall revert
19 as provided by law on June 30, 2010.

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21 **Section 2.** By October 1 of 2008, 2009 and 2010, the
22 department of state parks and cultural resources shall
23 submit a report to the joint travel, recreation, wildlife
24 and cultural resources interim committee and the joint

1 appropriations interim committee on the expenditure of
2 funds appropriated in Section 1 of this act and the results
3 of visitor satisfaction surveys of the interpretive
4 programs at the parks and historic sites and on the web
5 sites that may be developed for the purposes of this act.

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7 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2007.

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