

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0116

Select federal natural resource management committee.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Lockhart and Semlek and
Senator(s) Bebout, Geis and Hines

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to public lands; creating the select
2 federal natural resource management committee; providing
3 for appointment of members; providing duties; providing an
4 appropriation; and 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.** W.S. 28-11-501 is created to read:

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10 ARTICLE 5

11 SELECT FEDERAL NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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13 **28-11-501. Appointment of members; powers and duties.**

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1 (a) Not later than March 15 following each general
2 election, a select federal natural resource management
3 committee shall be appointed subject to the following:

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5 (i) The president of the senate shall appoint
6 three (3) members of the senate apportioned as nearly as
7 possible to reflect the percentage of the elected
8 membership of the majority and minority parties of the
9 senate, provided not more than five (5) of the members of
10 the select committee shall be from the same political
11 party. Select committee membership shall include at least
12 one (1) member of the joint agriculture, state and public
13 lands and water resources interim committee, the joint
14 appropriations interim committee and the joint minerals,
15 business and economic development interim committee,
16 respectively;

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18 (ii) The speaker of the house of representatives
19 shall appoint three (3) members of the house apportioned as
20 nearly as possible to reflect the percentage of the elected
21 membership of the majority and minority parties of the
22 house, provided not more than five (5) of the members of
23 the select committee shall be from the same political
24 party. Select committee membership shall include at least

1 one (1) member of the joint agriculture, state and public
2 lands and water resources interim committee, the joint
3 appropriations interim committee and the joint minerals,
4 business and economic development interim committee,
5 respectively.

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7 (b) The select committee shall:

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9 (i) Select from among its members one (1)
10 senator and one (1) member of the house to serve as co-
11 chairmen;

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13 (ii) Meet as necessary to review existing or
14 proposed federal policies or action which may impact the
15 management, development or use of the state's natural
16 resources;

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18 (iii) Develop and introduce legislative
19 responses to federal policies and actions necessary to
20 protect the interests of the state of Wyoming.

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22 **Section 2.** There is appropriated sixteen thousand
23 dollars (\$16,000.00) from the general fund to the
24 legislative service office. This appropriation shall only

1 be expended to provide salary, travel and per diem to
2 members of the select natural resource management committee
3 for meetings held from the effective date of this act
4 through June 30, 2014. Notwithstanding any other provision
5 of law, this appropriation shall not be transferred or
6 expended for any other purpose and any unexpended,
7 unobligated funds remaining from this appropriation shall
8 revert as provided by law on June 30, 2014.

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

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15 (END)