

SENATE FILE NO. SF0026

Authorization for certain radioactive waste facilities.

Sponsored by: Joint Minerals, Business and Economic
Development Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to radioactive waste; authorizing a
2 radioactive waste facility under conditions as specified;
3 and providing for an effective date.

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

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 35-11-1506(a), (b)(intro) and by
8 creating a new subsection (e) is amended to read:

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10 **35-11-1506. Legislative approval of the siting of**
11 **high-level radioactive waste storage facilities;**
12 **conditions.**

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14 (a) Except as provided in subsection (e) of this
15 section, no construction may commence, nor shall any
16 high-level radioactive waste storage facility be sited

1 within this state, unless the legislature has enacted
2 legislation approving the siting, construction and
3 operation of the facility in accord with this section. Any
4 authorization of a facility under this section shall not be
5 considered to grant to any person an exclusive right or
6 franchise to store high-level radioactive wastes within the
7 state.

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9 (b) In addition to any facility which meets the
10 requirements of subsection (e) of this section, the
11 legislature may authorize one (1) or more facilities under
12 subsection (a) of this section if it finds that:

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14 (e) The legislature hereby authorizes the siting of
15 temporary high-level radioactive waste storage facilities
16 within this state subject to the following:

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18 (i) A facility shall only be authorized if it is
19 operated on the site of and to store the waste produced by
20 a nuclear power generation facility operating within the
21 state;

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23 (ii) The applicant for the facility shall
24 otherwise comply with the requirements of this act;

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(iii) The department shall review the application submitted pursuant to W.S. 35-11-1502 and determine specifically if the facility meets the safety considerations in paragraph (b)(iv) of this section and any other potential safety or environmental concerns;

(iv) After preparation of the report under W.S. 35-11-1503 and public review under W.S. 35-11-1504, the department may authorize siting and construction of the facility;

(v) If a facility is authorized by the department under paragraph (iv) of this subsection, the benefits agreement shall be the agreement as negotiated with the applicant under W.S. 35-11-1503(d).

Section 2. This section is effective July 1, 2013.

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