

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0102

Sage grouse implementation team.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Stubson and Senator(s)
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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the administration of government;
2 creating the sage grouse implementation team; providing for
3 membership; specifying duties; 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.** W.S. 9-19-101 is created to read:

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10 CHAPTER 19

11 SAGE GROUSE IMPLEMENTATION TEAM

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13 **9-19-101. Sage grouse implementation team created;**
14 **membership; duties.**

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1 (a) There is created a sage grouse implementation
2 team that shall consist of members appointed by the
3 governor. Members of the implementation team shall serve
4 staggered terms of four (4) years. As terms of current
5 implementation team members expire, the governor shall
6 appoint each new member or reappointed member to a four (4)
7 year term. The implementation team shall consist of the
8 following members appointed by the governor:

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10 (i) Not less than two (2) members representing
11 each of the following interests:

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13 (A) Agriculture;

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15 (B) Mining;

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17 (C) Oil and gas industry;

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19 (D) Conservation groups.

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21 (ii) Not less than one (1) member representing
22 each of the following interests:

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24 (A) County government;

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2 (B) Wind generation and transmission
3 industry.

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5 (iii) Not less than one (1) member representing
6 each of the following agencies:

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8 (A) Wyoming game and fish commission;

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10 (B) Wyoming department of agriculture;

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12 (C) Wyoming department of environmental
13 quality;

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15 (D) Wyoming wildlife and natural resource
16 trust fund board;

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18 (E) Wyoming oil and gas conservation
19 commission; and

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21 (F) Wyoming office of state lands and
22 investments.

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1 (b) The implementation team shall seek cooperation
2 and participation from the following federal entities in
3 carrying out its duties:

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5 (i) United States bureau of land management;

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7 (ii) United States fish and wildlife service;

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9 (iii) United States forest service;

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11 (iv) United States natural resource conservation
12 service.

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14 (c) The governor may remove any member as provided in
15 W.S. 9-1-202.

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17 (d) The governor shall appoint a chairman and other
18 officers deemed necessary from among the members. The
19 implementation team may meet as often as deemed necessary
20 by a majority of the implementation team or at the request
21 of the chairman or the governor. Members shall serve
22 without salary but shall receive per diem and mileage for
23 attending team meetings in the manner and amounts provided
24 by law for state employees. Members who are government

1 employees or public officials shall be considered on
2 official business of their agency when performing duties as
3 members of the implementation team. Remaining members
4 shall receive payment authorized by this subsection from
5 the governor's office.

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7 (e) The implementation team shall review data and
8 make recommendations to the governor regarding actions and
9 funding to enhance and restore sage grouse habitats in
10 Wyoming.

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12 (f) The implementation team shall make
13 recommendations to the governor regarding regulatory
14 actions necessary to maintain sage grouse populations and
15 sage grouse habitats.

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17 **Section 2.** Notwithstanding W.S. 9-19-101(a), the
18 initial terms of the members of the sage grouse
19 implementation team shall be one (1) year for one-fourth
20 (1/4) of the members, two (2) years for one-fourth (1/4) of
21 the members, three (3) years for one-fourth (1/4) of the
22 members and four (4) years for one-fourth (1/4) of the
23 members.

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

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