

ORIGINAL HOUSE
BILL NO. HB0024

ENROLLED ACT NO. 25, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2017 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to water; authorizing rulemaking authority to allow the water development commission to delegate duties to the water development office; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 41-2-118(a)(xiv), (xv) and by creating a new paragraph (xvi) is amended to read:

41-2-118. Powers, duties, salaries and expenses of commission.

(a) The commission shall:

(xiv) Have authority to temporarily defer the principal amount due on debt service payments for money loaned to an irrigation district, watershed improvement district, conservation district or a conservancy district for construction of water development projects whenever the governor has declared that a drought emergency exists within the affected district's service area. The district shall be eligible for the temporary deferral of the principal amount due, provided the interest payments on the remaining principal amount are paid and current. The commission shall amend the amortization schedule to reflect the length of time from the date the affected district seeks the temporary deferral to the date the governor declares the emergency drought condition no longer exists; ~~and~~

(xv) With the approval of the governor, have the authority to enter into contracts and agreements with the United States of America or its duly authorized representative agency to accept federal funds through

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grants or matching funds or from other sources for project costs pertaining to the utilization of Wyoming's water resources; and

(xvi) Have authority to promulgate rules to delegate administrative duties to the Wyoming water development office to facilitate the effective operation of the commission.

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

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

Chief Clerk