

SENATE FILE NO. SF0054

Water development project requirements.

Sponsored by: Select Water Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to water development; establishing
2 requirements related to operations and maintenance of water
3 projects; 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. 41-2-121 by creating a new subsection
8 (e) is amended to read:

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10 **41-2-121. Criteria for water development projects;**
11 **disclosure of personal interests by commission.**

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13 (e) Prior to authorizing a water development project,
14 the commission shall require each project sponsor to
15 demonstrate that the entity has the authority to adequately
16 assess fees or collect funds to cover operation and
17 maintenance expenses related to the water development

1 project. Any entity that does not have the authority or
2 ability to collect sufficient funds for the operation and
3 maintenance of the project may be required by the
4 commission to establish an operations and maintenance
5 account as provided in this section. The commission shall
6 develop criteria related to the establishment of an
7 operations and maintenance account which shall include:

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9 (i) An operations and maintenance account shall
10 only be required for project sponsors that have taken out a
11 loan for any portion of the project expense and shall not
12 be required after the loan has been repaid;

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14 (ii) The funds required in any operations and
15 maintenance account shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of
16 the project cost.

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18 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2018.

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20 (END)