

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0099

Wyoming public lands day.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Schwartz, Brown, Roscoe,  
Sommers and Stith and Senator(s) Coe,  
Dockstader, Gierau and Nethercott

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to state holidays and observances; providing  
2 for a public lands day; and providing for an effective date.

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

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6 **Section 1.** W.S. 8-4-113 is created to read:

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8 **8-4-113. Public lands day.**

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10 (a) In tribute to the importance of public lands in the  
11 state and in recognition of the value of public lands to the  
12 state's economy, open spaces, diversity of mineral, grazing  
13 and forestry resources, wildlife and recreational  
14 opportunities, the fourth Saturday in September of each year  
15 is designated as "public lands day" and appropriate

1 observance may be held by the public and in all public schools  
2 of the state.

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4 (b) The governor, not later than September 1 of each  
5 year, shall issue a proclamation requesting the proper  
6 observance of "Public Lands Day."

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8 (c) This section shall not affect commercial paper, the  
9 making or execution of written agreements or judicial  
10 proceedings, or authorize public schools, business or state  
11 and local government offices to close.

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13 (d) As used in this section, "public lands" means all  
14 federal and state public lands including state trust lands  
15 managed for the benefit of Wyoming's public schools and  
16 institutions.

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18 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2019.

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