

SENATE FILE NO. SF0109

Educational attainment executive council.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Wasserburger

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to government; continuing the educational
2 attainment executive council; providing duties; providing for
3 staffing; requiring reports; providing appropriations; and
4 providing for an 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.**

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10 (a) The purpose of this act is to continue the work of
11 the educational attainment executive council, created by
12 executive order 2018-4. The educational attainment executive
13 council is continued and shall consist of the following
14 fifteen (15) members:

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1 (i) The president of the University of Wyoming,
2 who shall serve as a council co-chairman;

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4 (ii) A president of a Wyoming community college as
5 selected by the community colleges' presidents council, who
6 shall serve as a council co-chairman;

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8 (iii) The executive director of the Wyoming
9 community college commission;

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11 (iv) The superintendent of public instruction or
12 her designee;

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14 (v) Two (2) members of the executive council of
15 economically needed diversity options for Wyoming (ENDOW) as
16 selected by the governor;

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18 (vi) A school district superintendent as selected
19 by the governor;

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21 (vii) A representative of the governor's office as
22 selected by the governor;

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1 (viii) The director of the department of workforce
2 services;

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4 (ix) A representative of the University of Wyoming
5 whose responsibilities concern enrollment services and
6 student success as selected by the governor;

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8 (x) The chief executive officer of the Wyoming
9 business council;

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11 (xi) An individual with expertise in the delivery
12 of education to individuals on the Wind River Indian
13 Reservation as selected by the governor;

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15 (xii) An employee of the Wyoming community college
16 commission with experience on a college completion initiative
17 as selected by the Wyoming community college commission;

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19 (xiii) One (1) member of the Wyoming senate as
20 selected by the president of the senate; and

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22 (xiv) One (1) member of the Wyoming house of
23 representatives as selected by the speaker of the house.

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2 (b) A majority of members of the council shall
3 constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business of
4 the council.

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6 (c) The educational attainment executive council shall:

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8 (i) Establish a five (5) year strategic plan and
9 a ten (10) year strategic plan to meet the needs of Wyoming's
10 businesses and to reach the following educational attainment
11 goals:

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13 (A) By 2025, sixty-seven percent (67%) of
14 Wyoming's working population, age twenty-five (25) to
15 sixty-four (64), will possess a valuable postsecondary
16 certificate or degree;

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18 (B) By 2040, eighty-two percent (82%) of
19 Wyoming's working population, age twenty-five (25) to
20 sixty-four (64), will possess a valuable postsecondary
21 certificate or degree.

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1 (ii) Convene stakeholders to develop the strategic
2 plans;

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4 (iii) Convene meetings with stakeholders and the
5 public across Wyoming to obtain necessary information and
6 suggestions on strategic plan elements;

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8 (iv) Include an analysis of opportunities
9 coordinated across priority economic sectors as identified by
10 the executive council of ENDOW;

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12 (v) Establish appropriate data metrics and
13 performance indicators in the development of the strategic
14 plans and communicate relevant data to the governor, state
15 legislators and the public; and

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17 (vi) Develop legislative recommendations to
18 present to the joint education interim committee or the joint
19 minerals, business and economic development interim committee
20 to effectuate the strategic plans as necessary.

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22 (d) The educational attainment executive council shall
23 be staffed by the Wyoming community college commission. The

1 University of Wyoming, the seven (7) Wyoming community
2 colleges, the department of education and the department of
3 workforce services shall provide assistance to the
4 educational attainment executive council as the council shall
5 direct. The legislative service office shall provide such
6 assistance with drafting legislative proposals as the
7 legislative members of the council shall direct.

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9 (e) The educational attainment executive council shall
10 report quarterly on its progress to develop strategic plans
11 to the governor, the board of trustees of the University of
12 Wyoming, the Wyoming community college commission and the
13 executive council of ENDOW. The educational attainment
14 executive council, by September 1 of each year, shall report
15 to the joint education interim committee and the joint
16 minerals, business and economic development interim committee
17 on its progress to develop strategic plans. The council shall
18 also, by September 1 of each year, present any proposed
19 education related legislation to effectuate the strategic
20 plans to the joint education interim committee and any
21 proposed economic development related legislation to
22 effectuate the strategic plans to the joint minerals,
23 business and economic development interim committee.

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2 (f) The council shall continue until December 31, 2022,
3 at which point its existence shall cease. Members of the
4 council who are legislators shall be paid salary, per diem
5 and mileage as provided in W.S. 28-5-101 for their official
6 duties as members of the council. Subject to constitutional
7 limitations, members of the council who are employees or
8 elected officials of the state of Wyoming shall be considered
9 on official business of their agency or office and shall
10 receive mileage and per diem in the manner provided by their
11 agency or office. Any other member of the council shall be
12 paid no salary but shall receive mileage and per diem at the
13 same rate as state employees as provided by W.S. 9-3-102.

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15 **Section 2.**

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17 (a) There is appropriated seventy-five thousand dollars
18 (\$75,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative service
19 office. This appropriation shall only be expended for
20 providing payments authorized by section 1 of this act to
21 legislative members of the education attainment executive
22 council.

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1 (b) There is appropriated forty thousand dollars
2 (\$40,000.00) from the general fund to the governor's office.
3 This appropriation shall only be expended for providing
4 payments authorized by section 1 of this act for any member
5 of the educational attainment executive council appointed by
6 the governor who is not an employee or elected official of
7 the state of Wyoming.

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9 (c) Funds appropriated under this section shall be for
10 the period beginning with the effective date of this act and
11 ending December 31, 2022. Notwithstanding any other provision
12 of law, funds appropriated under this section shall not be
13 transferred or expended for any other purpose and any
14 unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from this
15 appropriation shall revert as provided by law on June 30,
16 2022.

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

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