

[BUDGET(S) AFFECTED]

Section Under Consideration:

**Addition of Section**

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1 Page 18-after line 16 Insert the following new section and  
2 renumber as necessary:  
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4 "[STATE FAIR PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP FOR LODGING FACILITIES]  
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6 **Section 11.** The state fair board shall pursue public-private  
7 partnership opportunities for the construction and operation of  
8 lodging facilities on the state fairgrounds. The Attorney  
9 General's Office shall advise the board regarding legal issues  
10 relating to the construction and operation of the privately funded  
11 facilities. Upon request of the board, the state building  
12 commission may direct the construction management department to  
13 assist the board in determining appropriate steps to undertake in  
14 constructing facilities on state owned property. If the board  
15 determines a public-private partnership is feasible, it shall  
16 recommend to the state building commission that the project be  
17 undertaken, specifying the recommended financing of the facility  
18 and related required infrastructure. The state building commission  
19 shall determine the feasibility of the project and if the  
20 commission determines the project is feasible, it shall submit its  
21 recommendations for the project, including recommended legislative  
22 authorization and any necessary appropriations as a separate  
23 component in its report to the legislature under W.S. 9-5-107(c).  
24 Upon the enactment of legislation authorizing the construction of  
25 the project, the state fair board may execute agreements as  
26 necessary to construct and operate the facilities and may expend  
27 funds as authorized. The department of agriculture is authorized  
28 to accept on behalf of the state fair board private funds of up to  
29 twelve million six hundred thousand dollars (\$12,600,000.00) to be  
30 used for the project. Any private funds accepted pursuant to this  
31 section shall be subject to an agreement executed by the department  
32 of agriculture, the state fair board and the private party  
33 providing the funds. The agreement shall specify that the  
34 expenditure of the funds shall be subject to legislative  
35 authorization and that neither the state nor the state fair board  
36 shall be liable in any manner for failing to undertake the project.

1 If legislative authorization is not provided for the project any  
2 funds accepted by the department of agriculture shall be returned,  
3 without interest, to the private party not later than March 31,  
4 2021. Any agreement entered into pursuant to this section shall be  
5 subject to the approval of the attorney general."

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7 To the extent required by this amendment: adjust totals; and  
8 renumber as necessary. BONER