

Bill No.: HB0003 **Effective:** **Multiple Dates**
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Enrolled Act No.: HEA No. 0023
Chapter No.: 49
Prime Sponsor: Joint Minerals, Business & Economic Development Interim Committee
Catch Title: **Wyoming energy authority-amendments.**
Subject: Amending provisions related to the creation and administration of the Wyoming Energy Authority.

Summary/Major Elements:

- In 2019, the legislature passed legislation creating the Wyoming Energy Authority through a merger of the Wyoming Infrastructure Authority and the Wyoming Pipeline Authority. The Wyoming Energy Authority comes into existence on July 1, 2020.
- The act clarifies the composition of the Energy Authority's voting board members to provide that two (2) must have special knowledge or experience in oil and gas production or transportation. The act also clarifies ex officio members of the Energy Authority.
- The act also amends and clarifies the purposes and powers of the Energy Authority, including the Authority's bonding authority, work toward using natural resources for other applications and nonfuel products, and data and research duties.
- The act authorizes the Wyoming Energy Authority to assemble and meet before July 1, 2020 to develop priorities and a mission statement; to hire staff; and to complete necessary administrative tasks, including determining a location and securing office space. An appropriation is included for the Energy Authority for these purposes.

Comments:

- The act provides an appropriation to the Wyoming Energy Authority.
- The act has a split effective date. The sections of the act authorizing the Energy Authority's early meetings and the appropriation are effective immediately; the remainder of the act takes effect on July 1, 2020.

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