

SENATE FILE NO. SF0050

COVID-19 business relief programs agriculture.

Sponsored by: Joint Agriculture, State and Public Lands &
Water Resources Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to emergency expenses of government related
2 to business relief; providing funding for grants to
3 agriculture businesses impacted by COVID-19; providing a
4 reappropriation of federal CARES Act funds; and providing
5 for an effective date.

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

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9 **Section 1.** As used in this section, "agriculture
10 business" means a business that is engaged in farming or
11 ranching and produces livestock, feed, produce or other
12 food items normally grown or raised by ranchers or farmers.

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14 **Section 2.** There is reappropriated to the Wyoming
15 business council eighty million dollars (\$80,000,000.00)

1 from any federal funds appropriated in 2020 Wyoming Special
2 Session Laws, Chapter 1, Section 2(b) and as authorized and
3 made available for expenditure in Section 2(c)(ii) or (iii)
4 for the purpose of extending funding for the Wyoming
5 business interruption stipend program to be used for grants
6 to agriculture businesses pursuant to the Wyoming business
7 interruption stipend program created by 2020 Wyoming
8 Special Session Laws, Chapter 3, Section 2(b). If a COVID-
9 19 relief account or other similarly named account is
10 created for the deposit of COVID-19 related emergency
11 response funds, this appropriation shall be made from that
12 account. Except as provided in this section, the funds
13 reappropriated under this section shall only be expended
14 for making the grants authorized by this act and consistent
15 with the terms of the federal gift, grant or appropriation
16 from which the funds originate. This reappropriation shall
17 not be transferred or expended for any other purpose except
18 that on or before November 15, 2020, the Wyoming business
19 council shall estimate the total amount of funds expended,
20 obligated and necessary for the grants authorized by this
21 section. Any funds reappropriated under this section in
22 excess of the total amount estimated by the Wyoming
23 business council are hereby reappropriated after November

1 15, 2020 to the office of the governor for the purposes
2 specified in 2020 Wyoming Special Session Laws, Chapter 1.
3 Funds reappropriated to the office of the governor shall be
4 subject to any limitations imposed by 2020 Wyoming Special
5 Session Laws, Chapter 1. Any unexpended, unobligated funds
6 remaining from this reappropriation on December 30, 2020
7 shall revert as provided by law.

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

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