

ORIGINAL SENATE  
FILE NO. SF0002

ENROLLED ACT NO. 3, SENATE

SIXTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING  
2022 BUDGET SESSION

AN ACT relating to appropriations for the legislature; providing appropriations for the operation of the legislative branch of state government; and providing for effective dates.

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

**Section 1.** There is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative service office the following specified amounts, or as much thereof as may be necessary, to pay the costs and expenses of the Wyoming legislature through June 30, 2024:

SALARIES

LSO Staff Permanent/Temporary .....	\$9,099,316
Legislators - Session .....	1,176,246
Legislators - Interim .....	2,256,586
Session Staff .....	649,608
Employer Paid Benefits .....	4,589,663

IN-STATE TRAVEL

Mileage and Per Diem - Session .....	1,065,024
Mileage and Per Diem - Interim .....	940,236

OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL

Travel Expenses .....	100,800
Per Diem .....	130,800

ANNUAL DUES

National Conference of State Legislatures .....	267,587
The Energy Council .....	76,800
Council of State Governments .....	220,298
Other .....	10,520

REGISTRATION FEES .....	55,600
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TELECOMMUNICATIONS .....50,000  
ETS SERVICES (Network connections & backup) .....10,000  
GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT .....1,001,350  
(Information technology, copying,  
supplies and equipment, furniture,  
contract services, special projects, etc.)  
STATUTES, SESSION LAWS AND DIGESTS .....395,000  
TOTAL .....\$22,095,434

**Section 2.** [Standard Provision-Flex]. The Management Council may transfer funds from one expense category to another under Section 1 of this act as the activities of the legislature may require.

**Section 3.** [Standard Provision-Travel]. The appropriation for out-of-state travel under this act shall be used to reimburse legislators for documented legislative travel and per diem expenses to attend out-of-state meetings in accordance with policies of the Management Council.

**Section 4.** [Carry Forward of Prior Appropriations].

(a) Notwithstanding W.S. 9-4-207, the unobligated portions of the following appropriations shall not revert on June 30, 2022, and are hereby reappropriated to the legislative service office for the following purposes:

(i) From any unexpended, unobligated amounts reappropriated for expenditure by the legislative service

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office under 2020 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 81, Sections 4(a)(i) and 7, up to eight hundred thousand dollars (\$800,000.00) reappropriated for expenditure by the legislative service office for the period commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2024. Expenditures of amounts reappropriated under this paragraph shall be for professional consulting expertise and other support necessary to carry out and execute work of the legislature pertaining to required K-12 education responsibilities, issues and studies. Professional consulting expertise may be retained by the legislative service office only upon approval of the Management Council, and the unexpended, unobligated amounts may be expended for contractual agreements between the Council and professional consultants;

(ii) Any balance remaining on June 30, 2022, resulting from the sale of legislative laptop computers prior to that date is appropriated to the legislative service office to be used for the purchase of replacement laptop computers and support systems for the period commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2024;

(iii) Any unexpended, unobligated amounts appropriated for expenditure under 2020 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 81 are reappropriated for expenditure by the legislative service office at the direction of the Management Council for extraordinary expenses of the legislature and as necessary to supplement any expense category under this act, for the period commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2024.

(b) This section is effective immediately.

**Section 5.** [Technology Projects].

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(a) There is appropriated one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative service office for continued development and support of the legislative management system and other continuing legislative information technology projects.

(b) This section is effective immediately.

**Section 6.** [New Legislator Training Compensation].

(a) From and after the date the state canvassing board certifies the results of the 2022 general election in accordance with W.S. 22-16-118, legislators elect and newly appointed legislators may, to the extent authorized by the Management Council, receive mileage and per diem at the same rate as members of the legislature plus an amount equal to the daily salary paid to legislators for each day spent at a legislative training function or at a meeting of an interim committee to which they will be assigned.

(b) There is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative service office thirty-four thousand dollars (\$34,000.00) for purposes of this section.

(c) As used in this section:

(i) "Legislator elect" means a person elected to the legislature during the 2022 general election who is not a current member of the legislature and before the person is duly sworn in;

(ii) "Newly appointed legislator" means a person appointed after the 2022 general election to fill a vacancy in the House or Senate and before the person is duly sworn

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**Section 7.** [Reappropriation of School Foundation Program Account Funds].

(a) Notwithstanding W.S. 9-2-1008, 9-2-1012(e) and 9-4-207(a), an amount not to exceed one million nine thousand four hundred twenty-seven dollars and thirty-four cents (\$1,009,427.34) from any unexpended, unobligated amounts appropriated from the school foundation program account to the attorney general under 2016 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 31, Section 2, Section 015 and 2020 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 80, Section 2, Section 015, as amended by 2021 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 69, Section 2, Section 015, for purposes of the law office shall not revert on June 30, 2022. On July 1, 2022 these amounts are reappropriated for expenditure by the legislative service office for the period commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2024. Expenditures of amounts reappropriated under this subsection shall be for professional consulting expertise and other support necessary to carry out and execute work of the legislature pertaining to required K-12 education responsibilities, issues and studies. Professional consulting expertise may be retained by the legislative service office only upon approval of the Management Council, and the unexpended, unobligated amounts may be expended for contractual agreements between the Council and professional consultants.

(b) This section is effective immediately.

**Section 8.** [Special Contingency].

(a) There is appropriated five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) from the general fund to the

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legislative service office to be expended at the direction of the Management Council for extraordinary expenses of the legislature and as necessary to supplement any expense category under this act.

(b) This section is effective immediately.

**Section 9.** [Economic Development Authorized Travel].

(a) Subject to available appropriation, legislators traveling out-of-state, including internationally, in connection with executive branch or legislatively approved efforts to expand and diversify Wyoming's energy and industrial economy or to attract new business enterprises to the state or to improve access to and growth in domestic and international markets, are authorized reimbursement of actual travel expenses, including travel, lodging, meals and necessary incidentals, provided:

(i) Reimbursement of travel expenses for members of the legislature to participate in economic development efforts under this section shall require the approval of the Management Council;

(ii) In designating members authorized to receive travel reimbursement under this section, preference shall be given to members who have expressed an intention to seek re-election to, or if mid-term to continue to serve in, the Wyoming legislature during the 2023 and 2024 legislative sessions.

(b) This section is effective immediately.

**Section 10.** [Wyoming State Treasurer's Investment Conference]. There is appropriated twenty thousand dollars

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(\$20,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative service office for payment of registration, mileage and per diem for legislators attending the Wyoming state treasurer's investment conference in the 2022 or 2023 interim. Registration payments shall not exceed three hundred fifty dollars (\$350.00) per legislator.

**Section 11.** [Facilities Appropriations].

(a) There is appropriated fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative service office to continue to retain a consultant to assist with the design, procurement, ordering, purchasing and installation of office furnishings, other furnishings, fixtures and equipment and owner identified improvements within the capitol building and capitol extension as provided in 2020 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 81 Section 11(a). Contracts shall be awarded under this subsection by a vote of a majority of the members of the State Building Commission and a vote of the majority of the members of the Management Council.

(b) Management Council may engage the services of consultants and other qualified professionals to procure the items listed in this subsection using funds appropriated under this subsection. There is appropriated from the general fund to the legislative service office:

(i) One hundred forty thousand dollars (\$140,000.00) for miscellaneous furnishings and projects in the capitol complex;

(ii) Twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.00) for room management equipment and professional fees.

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(c) Funds appropriated under this section shall be expended pursuant to all requirements of law, including the requirements of article 3, section 31 of the Wyoming constitution.

(d) This section is effective immediately.

**Section 12.** [Interpretive Exhibits and Wayfinding Subcommittee]

(a) There is appropriated twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) from the general fund to the legislative service office to pay the salary, mileage and per diem of the legislative members of the capitol interpretive exhibits and wayfinding subcommittee created by 2021 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 140, Section 8(a).

(b) This section is effective immediately.

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**Section 13.** [Effective Dates].

(a) As used in this act, "effective immediately" means effective immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution. Any appropriation contained in this act that is effective immediately shall not lapse until June 30, 2024, unless otherwise specified.

(b) Except as otherwise provided, this act is effective July 1, 2022.

(END)

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Governor

TIME APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

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Chief Clerk