

Bill No.: SF0001 **Effective:** **Multiple Dates**

LSO No.: **22LSO-0350**

Enrolled Act No.: SEA No. 0012

Chapter No.: 51

Prime Sponsor: Joint Appropriations Committee

Catch Title: **General government appropriations.**

Subject: Budget bill.

Summary/Major Elements:

This bill contains the following appropriations:

Total Appropriations:

General Fund (GF) Appropriations and Transfers*:	\$2,872,955,172
Federal Fund (FF) Appropriations:	\$1,893,738,420
School Foundation Program Account (SFP) Appr.:	\$1,798,920,713
Other Fund Appropriations:	\$3,100,594,457
Total Appropriations in Budget Bill:	\$9,666,208,762

*Note: These totals reflect the full appropriations, prior to any reductions that are contingent upon the enactment of other bills.

Total Authorized Positions: 7,321 (7,066 full-time and 255 part-time)

General Government – This bill contains appropriations for executive branch and judicial branch agencies for the fiscal year (FY) 2023-2024 biennium, provides for duties and conditions relating to these appropriations, redirects revenues for the period of the budget, and provides for reports related to the appropriations. A condensed overview of large agencies and programs follows:

Department of Health – This bill includes appropriations of \$1.947 billion (\$779.6 million General Funds (GF); \$873.0 million (FF); \$294.4 million Other Funds (OF), of which \$82.9 million in America Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds is for state revenue replacement). The bill includes the ability to carryover up to \$80 million GF from the 2021-2022 biennium to the 2023-2024 biennium.

K-12 Education – This bill includes appropriations of \$1.765 billion from the School Foundation Program (SFP) for school districts, including an external cost adjustment for utilities/energy and educational materials. The bill includes appropriations of funds from the School Capital Construction Account (SCCA) of \$257.5 million for school facilities, including \$159.0 million for school district major maintenance. Additionally, the bill reduces funding by one-half for the period of the budget for national board certified teachers and redirects, for the period of the budget, investment earnings from the Wyoming Education Trust Fund to the SFP. (*vetoed, see below*);

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Higher Education – This bill includes appropriations of \$222.4 million (\$220.3 million GF; \$1.9 million FF; and \$194,587 OF) to community colleges and appropriations of \$394.4 million (\$369.4 million GF and \$25 million OF) to the University of Wyoming. Additionally, the bill appropriates \$27.5 million for the Wyoming Innovation Partnership to the Governor.

Department of Corrections – This bill includes appropriations of \$262.7 million (\$456,398 FF and \$262.2 million OF, of which \$241.0 million is ARPA funds for state revenue replacement).

Department of Family Services – This bill includes appropriations of \$303.1 million (\$143.6 million GF; \$149.4 million FF; and \$10.1 million OF) to the Department of Family Services.

Various additional provisions:

- Provides \$20 million Highway Funds and legislative authorization to be used to replace the revenue information system, pursuant to Section 045, footnote 1;
- Provides an additional \$64.8 million GF for employee compensation and a proportionate amount of FF and OF, pursuant to Section 319;
- Provides \$100 million from the Legislative Stabilization Reserve Account (LSRA) for energy matching funds, pursuant to Section 321;
- Includes appropriations of ARPA revenue replacement funds in the amount of \$323.9 million to the Departments of Health and Corrections and authorizes the Governor to conserve state GF and, as necessary, to the Department of Transportation in lieu of federal mineral royalties;
- Modifies the distribution of severance taxes and federal mineral royalties for FY2023 and FY2024 in excess of the January 2022 Consensus Revenue Estimating Group revenue forecast.

Summary (list) of major appropriations and transfers between accounts/funds:

- Deposit of \$2,500,000 GF to the Wyoming Cultural Trust Fund in Section 2, Section 024, footnote 6;
- Deposit of \$75,000,000 of GF to the Wyoming Natural Resource Trust Fund in Section 2, Section 039;
- Deposit of \$75,000,000 of GF to the Permanent Wyoming Mineral Trust Fund;
- Deposit of \$75,000,000 of GF to the Common School Permanent Land Fund;
- Transfer of funds within the School Major Maintenance Subaccount within the Strategic Investments and Projects Account (SIPA) and School Lands Mineral Royalties Account to the School Capital Construction Account (SCCA);
- Transfer of \$14,690,596 SIPA to the SCCA;
- Transfer of \$4,033,840 of School Foundation Program Reserve Account funds to the SCCA;
- Transfer of \$133,569,583 GF to the SIPA;
- Transfer of \$100,000,000 SIPA to the LSRA;
- Transfer of \$6,176,465 from the Local Government Capital Construction Account to the GF;
- Transfer of \$3,000,000 from the Wyoming State Penitentiary Capital Construction Account to the Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Remediation Account.

Reports and submissions required by this bill:

- Report by the Governor's Office on federal infrastructure grants pursuant to Section 001, footnote 1;
- Report by the Governor's Office on the Wyoming innovation partnership pursuant to Section 001, footnote 7;

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- Report by the State Treasurer's Office on the reconciliation of cash and investment earnings pursuant to Section 004, footnote 2;
- Report by the State Treasurer's Office on the operational audit's recommendations pursuant to Section 004, footnote 3;
- Monthly report by the State Treasurer's Office related to earnings, distributions, and delays pursuant to Section 004, footnote 4;
- Monthly report by the State Treasurer's Office related to accounting consultants pursuant to Section 004, footnote 9;
- Report on positions created or eliminated in the Military Department pursuant to Section 007, footnotes 1 and 4;
- Report on agreement state status by the Department of Environmental Quality pursuant to Section 020, footnote 1;
- Report by the Department of Health on Wyoming Home Services pursuant to Section 048, footnote 6;
- Report on positions created or eliminated in the Office of State Lands and Investments pursuant to Section 060, footnote 2;
- Report by the Tourism Board on renovations and enhancements pursuant to Section 066, footnote 2;
- Report or feasibility study by the School of Energy Resources on using carbon dioxide in public works projects in Section 067, footnote 6;
- Report by the University of Wyoming on general education or other requirements pursuant to Section 067, footnote 9;
- Report by the Department of Corrections on mental health and substance use disorder programming pursuant to Section 080, footnote 1;
- Report by the Department of Corrections on incentives and alternative sanctions for probation and parole pursuant to Section 080, footnote 2;
- Report upon exercise of the borrowing authority for wildland fire response as specified in Section 302;
- Report upon transfers for the state employees' and officials' group insurance plan authorized under Section 303;
- Report upon transfers authorized under the flex authority granted to the executive branch in Section 305;
- Report upon transfers authorized under the flex authority granted to the judicial branch in Section 306;
- Report upon expenditures and commitments made from the appropriations for major maintenance in Section 308;
- Report upon expenditure of carryover funds in Section 309;
- Report upon exceptions to limitation on salary increases as specified in Section 310;
- Report on expenditure of ARPA funds pursuant to Section 311;
- Report upon the deployment of amounts to fund projects under school capital construction as specified in Section 313;
- Report on expenditures of federal infrastructure matching funds appropriated in Section 325.

The following studies are required by this bill:

- A workload study for circuit court judges and circuit court clerks.

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The Governor vetoed the following provisions that were subsequently overridden by the Senate and House:

- Section 2, Section 004, State Treasurer – footnote 6 (compensation of State Treasurer's Office investment employees);
- Section 1, Section 027, State Construction Department – footnote 2 (acoustics study and implementation for capitol building, extension and Herschler building);
- Section 2, Section 072, Retirement System – footnote 1 (compensation of Retirement System investment employees);
- Section 310 (Limitation on Salary Increase).

The Governor vetoed the following provisions that were not overridden:

- Section 2, Section 004, State Treasurer – portion of footnote 7 (chief executive officer or chief operations officer employee)
- Section 2, Section 020, Department of Environmental Quality – footnote 1 (feasibility study concerning agreement status with United States nuclear regulatory commission);
- Section 2, Section 048, Department of Health – footnote 11 (Wyoming's federal medical assistance percentage);
- Section 318 (National Board Certification of Teachers);
- Section 323 (Wyoming Education Trust Fund Earnings);
- Section 326 (Cash Based Budgeting).

Comments:

- Portions of this bill are effective immediately. Except where otherwise indicated, this bill is effective July 1, 2022 as specified in section 400.
- Requires reports as specified above.
- Popular name(s): “Budget Bill”; “General Appropriations of Government”.

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