

Bill No.: HB0104 **Effective:** **Immediately**
LSO No.: **24LSO-0429**
Enrolled Act No.: HEA No. 0048
Chapter No.: 98
Prime Sponsor: Select Water Committee
Catch Title: **Omnibus water bill-planning.**
Has Report: Yes
Subject: Provides authorization and funding for water development program studies.

Summary/Major Elements:

- Authorizes and provides funding for specified Wyoming Water Development Program reconnaissance (Level I) and feasibility (Level II) studies.
- Amends prior feasibility studies.
- Provides funding for the Office of Water Programs.
- Provides for the transfer of funds from the general fund to Water Development Account I.
- Clarifies the authority of the Wyoming Water Development Commission to contract with the Bureau of Reclamation for grants, contracts and financial assistance agreements for drought mitigation funding provided through the Inflation Reduction Act.
- Clarifies the authority of the Wyoming Water Development Commission to manage regional conservation partnership program projects with funds from the National Resources Conservation Service provided through the Agricultural Improvement Act of 2018.

Comments:

- See also the companion bill, 2024 Senate File 75, Omnibus water bill-construction.
- Requires the Water Development Commission to provide a report to the Legislature for each of the funded reconnaissance and feasibility studies.

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