SENATE
WYOMING STATE LEGISLATURE

Message No. 415

CONCURRENCE REQUESTED

Mr. Speaker: February 28, 2025

H.B. No. 0117 Omnibus water bill-construction.

The House Bill listed above passed on third reading in an amended form as follows by the vote indicated.

HB0117SS001/ADOPTED (TO ENGROSSED COPY)

Page 11-lines 14 through 23 Delete entirely and renumber as necessary.

Page 12 Delete entirely.

Page 13-lines 1 through 18 Delete entirely.

Page 47-line 21 Delete "2029" and insert "2026".

Page 60-line 6 Delete "(A)".

Page 60-lines 10 through 20 Delete entirely.

Page 61-lines 1 through 13 Delete entirely.

HB0117SS002/ADOPTED (TO ENGROSSED COPY)

Page 1-line 8 Delete "transferring".

Page 1-line 9 Delete entirely.

Page 1-line 10 Delete "development account II;".

Page 39-line 8 Delete ", (d)(iv), (v) and (vii)" and insert "and (d)(vii)".

Page 47-lines 1 through 13 Delete entirely.

Page 47-line 16 Reinsert stricken "fifty-nine".

Page 47-line 17 Reinsert all stricken language; delete all new language.

Page 47-line 18 Delete "($9,000,000.00)".

Page 47-line 21 Delete the Senate standing committee amendment (HB0117SS001/AE) to this line.

Page 59-lines 7 through 12 Delete entirely and renumber as necessary.

Page 59-line 14 Delete "(C)" and insert "(B)".

Page 59-line 19 After "subsection." delete "The".

Page 59-lines 20 and 21 Delete entirely.

Page 59-line 22 Delete line through "subsection."

Page 62-lines 4 through 10 Delete entirely and renumber as necessary.

Page 60-line 12 Delete "(c)" and insert "(b)".

HB0117S2002/ADOPTED (TO ENGROSSED COPY)

Page 47-line 21 Delete the first Senate standing committee amendment (HB0117SS001/AE) and the second Senate standing committee amendment (HB0117SS002/AE) to this line; delete "2029" and insert "2026".

HB0117S3001/ADOPTED (TO ENGROSSED COPY)

Page 4-after line 13 Insert and renumber as necessary:

"(c) Project – Cloud Seeding: Wind River and Sierra Madre mountain ranges 2026 (ground-based):

(i) Project sponsor: The state of Wyoming;

(ii) Project purpose: To enhance the winter snowpack in the Wind River and Sierra Madre mountain ranges;

(iii) Project description: Conduct a ground-based operational winter snowpack augmentation program during the 2025-2026 season;

(iv) Total project budget: Eight hundred sixty-two thousand one hundred forty-three dollars ($862,143.00);

(v) Special conditions: Prior to commencing project operations, the Wyoming water development office shall acquire funding commitments from other Colorado River basin water users or other interested parties for a minimum of one hundred percent (100%) of actual project operations costs.".

HB0117S3003/ADOPTED (TO ENGROSSED COPY)
Page 1-line 11 After "project;" insert "authorizing one full-time position;".

Page 63-after line 7 Insert and renumber as necessary:

"**Section 5.**

(a) The state engineer's office is authorized up to one (1) full-time position in the board of control division for the period beginning with the effective date of this act and ending June 30, 2026 for a natural resources program supervisor. It is the intent of the legislature that the state engineer's office include this full-time position in its standard budget request for the immediately succeeding fiscal biennium.

(b) There is appropriated one hundred fifty-six thousand three hundred twenty dollars ($156,320.00) from the general fund to the state engineer's office for the period beginning with the effective date of this act and ending June 30, 2026 to be expended only for purposes of funding the position authorized in subsection (a) of this section. This appropriation shall not be transferred or expended for any other purpose and any unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from this appropriation shall revert as provided by law on June 30, 2026.".

(c) This section shall not be effective if 2025 House Bill 0001 or 2025 Senate File 0001 is enacted into law and authorizes the position authorized in subsection (a) of this section.".

Page 63-line 9 Delete "**Section 5.**" and insert "**Section 6.**".

HB0117S3005/ADOPTED (TO ENGROSSED COPY)
Page 63-after line 7 Insert and renumber as necessary:

"Section 5.

(a) There is appropriated one hundred forty-eight thousand dollars ($148,000.00) from the general fund to the state engineer's office for updating the technology used for the accounting system that calculates the natural flow of the North Platte River. This appropriation shall not be transferred or expended for any other purpose and any unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from this appropriation shall revert as provided by law on June 30, 2026.

(b) If 2025 Senate File 0001 or 2025 House Bill 0001 is enacted into law, the appropriation in subsection (a) of this section shall be reduced by one dollar ($1.00) for every one dollar ($1.00) appropriated to the state engineer's office for updating the technology used for the accounting system that calculates the natural flow of the North Platte River in 2025 Senate File 0001 or 2025 House Bill 0001.".

Page 63-line 9 Delete "**Section 5.**" and insert "**Section 6.**"

HB0117S3006/ADOPTED (TO ENGROSSED COPY)
Page 63-after line 7 Insert and renumber as necessary:

"**Section 5.** The office of state lands and investments shall investigate opportunities to, and subject to the approval of the board of land commissioners shall, exchange public lands for private lands around the LaPrele dam and reservoir to increase public access to, and recreational activity in, the area.".

Page 63-line 9 Delete "**Section 5.**" and insert "**Section 6.**".

Ayes 29 Noes 2 Excused 0 Absent 0 Conflict 0

The Senate respectfully asks the House to concur by adopting the listed amendments.

Sincerely,

Ellen Thompson
Senate Chief Clerk

Bill Jacket Attached