

Management Council

Standard Budget: \$25,000.00

Judiciary

Standard Budget: \$49,000.00

Priority #: 1 Review of Recent Wyoming Supreme Court Opinions

The Committee will study and consider recent opinions where the Wyoming Supreme Court noted the absence of legislative action or called for legislative action.

Priority #: 2 Public Meetings and Public Records

The Committee will undertake a two-year study of the public meetings and public records statutes to modernize statutes in light of changes to the law, technology and to promote realistic transparency.

Priority #: 3 Supreme Court Updates (including the Family First Prevention Services Act and Guardian Ad Litem (GAL) and Parents' Counsel Programs)

The Committee will receive reports and recommendations from the Wyoming Supreme Court, including a written update on the development, financial history, and future fiscal impacts of the e-filing system. The Committee will consider legislation from the Department of Family Services necessary to comply with federal funding requirements of the Family First Prevention Services Act. The Committee will also study and consider the agency location of the guardian ad litem and parents' counsel programs.

Priority #: 4 Conservator and Guardianship statutes

The Committee will examine issues relating to conservatorship and guardianship statutes.

Priority #: 5 Justice Reinvestment Updates

The Committee will receive reports and updates regarding the justice reinvestment program implementation.

Priority #: 6 Review of the National Instant Criminal Background Check System

The Committee will receive updates and recommendations regarding the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS).

Priority #: 7 Trespass

The Committee will receive reports and recommendations from stakeholders regarding Wyoming's law on trespass.

Priority #: 8 Sexual Abuse of Minors and Human Trafficking

The Committee will receive information from state agencies about crimes and statistics relating to sexual abuse of minors and human trafficking.

Appropriations

Standard Budget: \$24,000.00

Priority #: 1 Court System Filing and Automated Background Checks

The Committee will review the status of storage and access to public court records and documents, especially within the district and circuit courts, to improve access, including access for documents necessary for background checks. The Committee will review and consider the revenues used to fund implementation of needed and desired technology upgrades, including subscription-based funding models utilized in other states, i.e., Utah, as a means of providing a sustained source of funding for court record automation and the Judicial Branch IT budget.

Priority #: 2 Contract and Leasing Procedures

Conduct a review of multiple issues related to state contracting and leasing processes and procedures, primarily implemented by the Department of Administration and Information (A&I) and the State Construction Department (SCD). The review will include, but not be limited to: definition of “resident” contractor and resident preference; review of contractor outreach and establishing bid specifications; modernization of public notice requirements/processes; ensuring alignment of statutes with agencies and professional disciplines; competitiveness of leasing processes; evaluation of final contracting payment procedures, retainage, and timeliness; UW’s Buy WYO program and potential metrics to be extended to other agencies or political subdivisions; and effectiveness of alternative construction delivery methods, including design-build.

Priority #: 3 Databook Revision and Budget Document Transparency

The Committee will review the Legislative Service Office (LSO) Databook and related budget documents to improve and streamline presentation, including transparency of state fiscal conditions, policies and actions for legislators and the public.

Priority #: 4 Enterprise Technology Services: Scope of Services

The Committee will initiate an information request with the Department of Enterprise Technology Services (ETS) to begin review of agency staffing, budgeting, and services provided to state agencies. The Committee will also review the original mission of ETS and identify examples of successes and areas requiring improvement.

Priority #: 5 Department of Corrections: Facilities

The Committee will continue its regular review of the Wyoming State Penitentiary (WSP) maintenance and remediation efforts. The Committee anticipates holding one interim meeting in Rawlins for the education of newer committee members.

Priority #: 6 Statutory Requirements and Receipt of Reports

The Committee will receive reports required by legislation from state agencies, as provided by law, including:

- Receive and provide a recommendation on the K-12 external cost adjustment (ECA);
- Receive a report on higher education study on baccalaureate degrees; and
- Receipt of status report from the State’s government efficiency contractor, or responsible parties within the executive branch;

- Review performance compensation programs for the Wyoming Retirement System and State Treasurer's Office in accordance with 2019 House Bill 222 (2019 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 57).

Tentative Meeting Schedule

Three (3) total meeting days. As directed by Management Council, all interim work must be completed by November 30.

Revenue

Standard Budget: \$45,000.00

Priority #: 1 Vapor Products Regulation

This topic will include a review of the overall regulation of vapor products. This topic will include a review of the taxation of vapor products compared to other nicotine products.

Priority #: 2 State Fiscal Structure Diversification

Continuing from the 2018 interim, the Committee will analyze Wyoming's revenue streams and study the implications of the existing state fiscal structure and its relationship to economic diversification. This topic will include a consideration of the long-term planning options for funding public education and general government services given the current state fiscal structure. This topic will include a review and update of the tax structure guidebook considered by the Committee in the 2018 interim.

Priority #: 3 Tax Studies

The committee will continue to consider modernization and reform of the state sales tax system, including potentially revenue neutral reductions in the tax rate coupled with expansion of the tax base. This topic will include:

- A. Electricity taxation modeling: Renewables, wind and solar, and possibly other generation sources.
- B. Study of the transitional difficulties of raising the valuation factor to address the limitations that the counties and cities have trying to raise money via mill levies.
- C. Study of the needs of the Department of Revenue and other state agencies for efficient revenue collection and modeling. This study shall include a report from Department of Revenue on future needs of the department in terms of staff and information technology systems. The report shall include expected costs to implement the report recommendations, identify potential funding sources and propose a plan and timeline for implementation of the report recommendations.
- D. A review of the existing property classes and a consideration of the issues surrounding the creation of one or more additional property classes.

Priority #: 4 Assessment and Review of Recent Revenue Bills

The Committee will review recent legislation related to revenue that was brought by the Committee or by individual legislators for a determination by the Committee of how to proceed. This topic will include:

- A. 2019 House Bill 220 – National retail fairness act.
- B. 2019 House Bill 68 – School funding revenue
- C. 2019 House Bill 67 – Sales tax revisions
- D. 2019 House Bill 66 – Lodging tax
- E. 2019 House Bill 233 – Income tax

F. The optional municipal tax and other local revenue options.

G. 2019 House Bill 138 - Sales tax payments

Priority #: 5 Government Property Tax Exemptions

The Committee will review the requirement that property owned by a governmental entity is exempt "when used primarily for a governmental purpose" found in both the Constitution and Title 39.

Priority #: 6 Tax Administration Issues

The Committee will review the issues related to tax administration, including:

A. Personal property tax reporting, including a review of 2019 Senate File 6

B. Oil and gas reporting issues

C. Statements of Consideration

Priority #: 7 Tobacco Taxation

This topic would include an update on 2019 Senate File 51 – Tobacco tax equivalence which authorizes the Governor to enter into negotiations with the Tribal Governments to develop a compact leading to equivalent tobacco taxation across the state including cigarettes sold on the Wind River Indian Reservation.

Education

Standard Budget: \$40,000.00

Priority #: 1 Community Colleges

The Committee will receive reports required by several laws enacted during the 2019 General Session regarding the community colleges, including reports on applied baccalaureate programs implemented or planned at community colleges and the evaluation of the financial impacts to the community colleges and the state of Wyoming implementing applied baccalaureate programs (2019 SF 0111) and ensuring the transparency of the funding. The Committee will request the Wyoming Community College Commission provide an overview of the community college funding formula to understand how colleges are funded and what impact applied baccalaureate programs and the Wyoming Works Program (2019 SF 0122) will have on the funding model in future years. The Committee will also receive an update on the electronic common transcript and transfer process system (2019 HB 0204) and a report on the administration of the statewide longitudinal education data system (2019 HB 0001).

Priority #: 2 School Finance

The Committee will make a recommendation to the Joint Appropriations Committee regarding an external cost adjustment to the K-12 education resource block grant model (funding model) for fiscal year 2021 pursuant to W.S. 21-13-309(o) and (u). Additionally, the Committee will study the funding model's transportation and special education components. The Committee will request the Department of Education update the Committee on the promulgation of rules related to the transportation component of the funding model as a result of amendments made to the transportation component through 2019 HB 0308. Finally, the Committee will request the Department of Education report on school district special education expenditures from school year 2018-19 and the implementation of the

statewide funding model expenditure cap and out-of-district placement appropriation for the 2019-20 and 2020-21 school years (2018 HB 140).

Priority #: 3 K-12 Education Government Efficiency Commission Recommendations

The Committee will study two recommendations from the Government Efficiency Commission related to K-12 education. The first recommendation is to amend the State's Medicaid plan for special education. The Department of Health is directed through the 2019 budget bill, Section 344 (2019 HB 0001) to negotiate an amendment to the State's Medicaid plan to include services authorized for special education beginning school year 2020-21. The Committee will request the Departments of Education and Health provide status updates on the progress of amending the Medicaid plan and provide assistance to the Committee in implementing this across school districts and the respective state agencies. The second recommendation is related to K-12 shared services. The Committee will request school districts, the Department of Education and the State's efficiency contractor, Alvarez and Marsal to provide additional information on this topic and tangible recommendations on how to implement this efficiency recommendation. The Committee will review the Alvarez and Marsal reports and additional information provided by school districts and state agencies.

Priority #: 4 Department of Education Data Collection and Reporting Requirements

The Committee will request the Department of Education provide information related to data collection and reporting requirements of school districts and other entities across the state and the potential to remove redundant reports. This topic is also related to the Wyoming Community College Commission's requirement to report on the statewide longitudinal education data system. During the 2019 General Session, many inquiries were made related to this topic and it warrants further discussion. The Committee will provide a report to the Joint Appropriations Committee related to any financial impacts to the Department of Education's FY 2020-2021 biennial budget regarding this topic.

Priority #: 5 K-12 Education Program

The Committee will study the K-12 education program and request the Department of Education and State Board of Education provide information in the following areas: 1) civic education standards, 2) K-3 reading and early childhood education (2019 HB 297), and 3) monitoring of the State Board of Education's implementation of computer science standards. During the 2019 General Session, HB 0129 and SF 0143 explored the possibility of requiring a civics proficiency exam and the Committee will study this concept further. The Management Council also requests the Committee to convene a task force composed of an equal number of school board trustees, superintendents, curriculum directors, elementary principals, and elementary level educators and parents to report to the Committee by October 1, 2021 regarding K-3; the task force members would receive no compensation.

Priority #: 6 Hathaway Scholarship Award Amounts

The Committee will study the Hathaway Scholarship award amounts and consider options on how to increase award amounts. The Committee will also review the Hathaway accounts and the potential fiscal impact of increases in award amounts and report any recommendations to the Select Committee on Capital Financing and Investments no later than September 30. During the 2019 General Session, HB 0132 proposed a five percent increase to current award amounts.

Agriculture, State and Public Lands & Water Resources

Standard Budget: \$40,000.00

Priority #: 1 University of Wyoming - College of Agriculture

The Committee will review the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources at the University of Wyoming and the current degree programs offered by the College. The Committee will also review the extension and research stations associated with the College.

Priority #: 2 Invasive Species

The Committee will review efforts to inspect and control foreign goods transiting through Wyoming which may harbor invasive species. This topic will include a review of the current Wyoming procedures related to invasive species and a review of methods used in other states.

Priority #: 3 State Lands

(A) The Committee will review the appraisal process used for state lands. This review will include a comparison of the appraisal process to the private sector process and the efficiency of the current process. This topic may also include instituting a formal process for disputing appraisals.

(B) This topic will also include issues related to the potential for the exchange of isolated school parcels. Committee activity will be in conjunction with federal action to complete a land swap.

(C) The topic will include consideration of development of a program to prioritize the exchange of landlocked trust lands that block state lands.

Priority #: 4 Review of Commodity Boards and Commissions

The Committee will review the operation of the existing commodity boards in Wyoming including the Beef Council, the Wheat Marketing Commission and the Bean Commission. The review will include the history and current duties of the entities and opportunities for efficiencies within the entities and the Wyoming Business Council.

Priority #: 5 Animal Damage Management Board

The Committee will review the operations and funding of the Animal Damage Management Board. The review will include the interactions of the Board with the Game and Fish Commission and counties and Federal-State cooperative programs. This topic may also include additional state needs related to predator control and current expenditures related to predator control.

Priority #: 6 Agency Updates

The Committee will receive updates and reports from executive branch agencies under its jurisdiction, including the Department of Agriculture and the Office of State Lands and Investments.

Travel, Recreation, Wildlife & Cultural Resources

Standard Budget: \$45,000.00

Priority #: 1 Gaming Commission

The Committee will conduct a comprehensive examination of lawful wagering and gaming in the state. The Committee will explore the concept of implementing a state-wide gaming commission. The review will also include research into other state gaming commissions and court action on the regional and national level. The Committee is permitted to invite up to four (4) other legislators to one (1) meeting to discuss instituting a gaming commission, who will each be paid for their time. The examination of lawful wagering and gaming may result in proposed legislation to be sponsored by the Committee.

Priority #: 2 Game and Fish Department

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) - The Committee will request that the Game and Fish Department provide current information on CWD and its effect on the populations of white-tailed deer, mule deer and elk in Wyoming. The Department will be asked to discuss what actions are being taken to eliminate the disease from our wildlife population and the funding involved in combating CWD.

Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) – The Committee will request an update and overview on Wyoming’s Aquatic Invasive Species Program. The Committee will also work with Game and Fish Department to analyze the current AIS budget and how boater fees are spent, how AIS affect our waterways, the problems with AIS being brought into our state and how best to mitigate these problems. The Committee will also gather public input regarding the program’s priorities, evaluate potential partnerships and contributors to the current program and work with the Department on strategies to promote awareness and detection around the state.

License Carry-Over for Bison – Wyoming law allows for license carry-over for big game and trophy licenses, however bison are not listed as either. Consequently, the licenses do not qualify for carry-over no matter the surrounding circumstances. The Committee will consider possible legislative action to add wild bison to Wyoming Statute § 23-1-703, to allow for bison hunting license carry-over when good cause exists.

Licensing of Fishing Guides – Wyoming law does not require fishing guides to be licensed. During the interim, the Committee will examine the potential need for licensure of fishing guides. In doing so, the Committee will consider the laws of several states that do license fishing guides, review data on the increase of guided fishing trips on Wyoming’s state rivers, and work to promote a consensus with fishing and hunting guides moving forward. The Committee will also gather public input to help determine whether licensing is necessary.

Wildlife harassment – The Committee will request an update and overview on efforts to address wildlife harassment. This will include information on the types stressors being inflicted upon wildlife populations and the times where such populations are most vulnerable to harassment. The Committee will also gather public input on this topic and may consider legislation to be adopted by the Committee should there be area where policy changes are needed.

Separately, the Committee will request an informational update from Game and Fish on Wyoming's preference point system for the hunting of resident and nonresident moose and bighorn sheep, and nonresident elk, deer and antelope in hard-to-draw hunt areas. The Committee will analyze how well the system is functioning, and any difficulties being faced by hunters, the State, and other stakeholders.

Priority #: 3 Search and Rescue Study

The Committee will review the operational standards for search and rescue operations nationally, regionally and within Wyoming. The Committee will receive testimony regarding best practices in response time; level of response; resources available, training, purchasing and logistics. The Committee will also review what resources are available in the different areas of the state and consider how best to expedite treatment in the field, provide transportation to trauma centers and study other actions necessary to increase the quality of treatment and promote the survivability of injured individuals.

Priority #: 4 State Parks & Cultural Resources

Hot Springs State Park – The Committee will receive updates on the status of current leases and concession operations at the park and will consider future plans. They will also request follow-up information on the State Parks & Cultural Resources Office’s implementation of Senate File 116 (State parks-vendor contracts), including an update on its rule making process and the cancelling of month-to-month leases.

State Parks and Cultural Resources general update – State Parks and Cultural Resources will provide an update to the Committee on the Outdoor Recreation Office and provide information regarding funding models outside of the general fund for outdoor recreation support.

Priority #: 5 Agency Reports

The Committee will receive several reports from the Game and Fish Department, the Office of Tourism, the Department of State Parks and Cultural Resources, and the Wyoming Wildlife and Natural Resource Trust. The Committee will also consider sponsoring legislation based on any of the discussion points mentioned above.

Corporations, Elections & Political Subdivisions

Standard Budget: \$45,000.00

Priority #: 1 Utilities

1. Utility rates, regulations and policies
2. Coal fired power plants
3. Net metering
4. Wind farm developments

Electricity continues to be an important issue in Wyoming. For the past three years, this issue has been the Committee's number one priority and the Committee would like to continue working with the Wyoming Public Service Commission and other interested parties in studying this issue this interim. The Committee requests the opportunity to study utility rates, regulations and policies, including specific review of coal fired power plants, net metering and wind farm developments. In addition, the Committee would like to receive reports on Rocky Mountain Power's Multi-State Process, Black Hills' Mountain West Transmission Group and California's Independent System Operator.

Priority #: 2 Local Issues

1. Municipal right-of-way franchise fees
2. County permanent reserve accounts
3. Surface water drainage systems
4. Local government participation in state health plan

The Committee requests the opportunity to study important issues concerning our counties, cities and towns while respecting local control. Specifically, the Committee would like to study the impact franchise fees are having on access to the use of municipal rights-of-way, including whether some entities are disproportionately impacted by the fees. The Committee would also like to study historical, current and future potential avenues for counties to manage their reserves. The Committee will send any legislation developed relating to county permanent reserve accounts to the Select Committee on Capital Financing and Investment for comment and recommendation.

Priority #: 3 Insurance Department

1. Update statutes related to insurance

The Committee requests the opportunity to work with the Wyoming Insurance Department to update various statutes in the Wyoming Insurance Code. Specifically, the Committee would like to review and consider legislation to update statutory requirements for surplus line brokers, life and health companies and property and casualty insurance companies. The Committee would also like to review and consider legislation to update the composition of guarantee associations.

Priority #: 4 Election Issues

1. Election Code revisions
2. Secretary of State's authority over election
3. Provide a report to the Management Council on legislative options for redistricting by Dec. 1

The Committee requests the opportunity to receive and consider recommendations from the Secretary of State and county clerks to update the Election Code. Specifically, the Committee would like to study voter registration requirements, day of voting process and requirements, candidate filing periods and the write-in nomination process. The Committee would also like to study the statutory authority of the Secretary of State over applications for nomination to office, the death of candidates during an election and the ability to register using tribal IDs.

Priority #: 5 Corporate Governance

1. Corporate directors and shareholder classes
2. Effect of court cases on Wyoming Limited Liability Company Act

The Committee requests the opportunity to study the general standards of corporate directors and consider legislation that would specify that corporate directors may consider the interests of all classes of shareholders, including preferred shareholders. The Committee would also like to review Wyoming's Limited Liability Company Act in response to recent federal court cases and consider whether statutory revisions are needed.

Transportation, Highways & Military Affairs

Standard Budget: \$45,000.00

Priority #: 1 Military Matters

The Committee intends to study issues and receive updates from the Wyoming Military Department, stakeholders and the public regarding:

- Military spouse professional and occupational licensing requirements—whether the statutes appropriately address issues military personnel and their spouses face when seeking professional and occupational licenses so that they can continue their vocations without undue delay or extra expense. Spouses in professionally licensed fields such as medical, legal, engineering, education, accounting or the cosmetic arts, face challenges due to delays or cost of transferring licenses to a new state or jurisdiction. Eliminating or mitigating these barriers will improve quality of life for military families.
- Funding to support veteran's claims service—the possibility of state funding to support a Department Service Officer for the Wyoming Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW). Without state funding to support the position it will be lost in 2022. This position acts as a power of attorney holder for Wyoming's veterans before the Board of Veterans Appeals. Loss of the position would result in a decrease in claims submitted to the Veterans Benefits Administration by 33%. The United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) requires the state to have this agreement with the service organizations for the Veterans Commission to be a VA recognized state agency.
- Review and update statutes as they relate to military matters—statute changes regarding several military matters, including: Wyoming's Judge Advocate must currently be an active member of the Wyoming National Guard (WYNG), but the Military Department would like to explore the option of allowing that position to be held by a federal civilian employee of the WYNG; current property tax exemptions do not include newer qualifying decorations; and WYNG immunity and use of force for security officers may need to be defined.
- Monitoring the progress of veterans' facilities—The Committee will receive reports and monitor the design and planning and the progress of the federal applications for construction of the veterans' skilled nursing center as provided in 2019 HB0082. The Committee will receive reports and monitor the Level I and II studies for renovation or rebuilding of the veterans' home as provided in 2019 SF0162. The Committee will study, review and monitor the state census numbers for the facilities in view of the federal allowance for number of veterans' beds, including reports from the Military Department and the State Construction Department on the appropriate number of beds during Level I planning of the veteran's skilled nursing center.
- Cataloguing military history throughout the state—receiving data about military and veterans' history, artifacts and attractions located throughout the state and at state property and facilities. The Committee will develop with the Military Department a plan for inventorying, preservation and access.

Priority #: 2 Highway Matters

The Wyoming Department of Transportation (WYDOT) and the Wyoming Highway Patrol have numerous responsibilities for regulating commercial traffic, collecting fuel taxes and permit fees and ensuring vehicle, driver and highway safety. The Committee intends to study issues and receive updates from WYDOT, counties and municipalities, industry groups, other stakeholders and the public regarding:

- Tolling I-80—the possibility of tolling on Interstate 80 across southern Wyoming. A federal program created under President Bush allows for tolling of existing roadways that could not otherwise be adequately maintained or functionally improved without the collection of tolls. Up to three different states may participate in the program, and the Committee would like to explore having Wyoming participate. The Committee would like to follow up on a 2008-2009 WYDOT comprehensive report that included construction cost estimates and other fiscal impacts, how “toll diversion” might affect local businesses and state and federal fuel tax receipts, safety improvements from adding capacity and instituting tolling, probable impacts on law enforcement, federal funding impacts, environmental clearances and possible legal challenges.
- Wildlife crossings—reducing collisions and injuries while conserving wildlife resources. Fencing, underpasses, double cattle guards and jump outs to effectively reduce wildlife collisions and provide crossing opportunities for local animal species. Highways and roadways affect wildlife populations by disconnecting their habitat, creating barriers to animal movement and making it more difficult to find food and water, establish territory, successfully migrate to seasonal refuges and obtain other specific living requirements. Crossing opportunities can reduce the barrier effect of roads and traffic on wildlife habitat and can reduce vehicle collisions with large mammals an estimated 80-99%.
- Highway funding—ensuring that the state receives all fuel tax revenue to which it may be legally entitled for the maintenance of and enhancements to the transportation system. The Committee aims to explore the possibility of linking the value of taxes on all types of combustible gases and liquids and user fees used to operate motor vehicles on public roadways and highways to assure necessary funding for roadways. The committee shall examine incremental increase of the fuel tax over multiple years.

Priority #: 3 Department of Transportation Matters

The Committee intends to study issues and receive updates from WYDOT, counties and municipalities, industry groups, other stakeholders and the public regarding:

- Commercial vehicle online permitting—Commercial vehicles rack up millions of miles daily across Wyoming, providing an important service to residents and nonresidents alike, and sustaining considerable employment and economic activity. The Committee seeks to study best practices and systems implemented in other states for online oversize/overweight permitting, review federal grant possibilities and requirements, and to establish a timeline and funding needs to implement a modernized, viable and sustainable online permitting program for commercial operators.
- Review of the Public Safety Communications Commission’s (PSCC's) mission and authority—The Committee intends to review the PSCC mission, responsibilities, progress and legislative needs including statewide mission critical interoperable emergency communications, technologies for land mobile radios, 911 and long-term evolution (LTE), revenue and funding, and commission composition.

- Revenue information system replacement—The Committee aims to work with WYDOT and the Department of Enterprise Technology Services to move forward with a solution for Revenue Information System (RIS) replacement based on the 2018 MathTech analysis and report. RIS modernization shall examine the data needs for other state agencies to accomplish a statewide data system.
- Review and update statutes as they relate to transportation matters—statute changes regarding several transportation matters to provide constituents with better access to services, including: revising notification requirements for driver's licenses, incorporating federal changes regarding commercial learner's permits, allowing for a ten-year look back period on DUI convictions consistent with federal guidance, and requirements for titles and transfers of ownership of motor vehicles.

Minerals, Business & Economic Development

Standard Budget: \$45,000.00

Priority #: 1 Oil & Gas Issues

The Committee will comprehensively study and consider Wyoming's statutes and regulations pertaining to oil and gas, including bonding, the acquisition of oil-and-gas leases, the permitting process, split-estate issues, and drilling practices. The Committee will also consider standards and the regulation of soil health and clean water, including the application of produced water.

Management Council authorized two (2) additional legislators to attend a meeting on this topic.

Priority #: 2 Oversight of the NEPA Evaluation Process at the State Level

The Committee will study the possibility for the state of Wyoming to enter into an agreement with the Department of Interior to provide for state primacy and oversight of environmental assessments and environmental impact statements prepared for major federal actions in the state.

Priority #: 3 Sage Grouse Mitigation Credits

The Committee will study and consider legislation regarding sage grouse mitigation credits.

Management Council authorized two (2) additional legislators to attend a meeting on this topic.

Priority #: 4 Wyoming Energy Authority

The Committee will receive reports, updates and recommendations regarding shaping the Wyoming Energy Authority and will consider legislation necessary for the Authority's commencement in 2020.

Priority #: 5 Utility Production Issues

The Committee will receive reports, updates, and recommendations regarding issues involving the coal-based power industry and legislation for further use of carbon capture, utilization, and storage technologies and carbon-capture projects. The Committee will also review and consider strategies to assist in the preservation, use, and continued operation of Wyoming coal-fired electric-generating facilities. The Committee may review 2019 Senate File 0159 (New opportunities for Wyoming coal fired

generation) and 2017 Senate File 0071 (Electricity production standard) as resources to guide this review.

Priority #: 6 Department of Environmental Quality Updates

The Committee will receive reports, updates, and recommendations regarding funding, revenue streams and potential modifications to the Landfill Remediation Program from the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality.

Priority #: 7 Agency Reports

The Committee will receive reports required by legislation from state agencies and will consider and sponsor necessary legislation identified after reviewing the reports. The Committee will review reports from the Wyoming Business Council, including a review of the effectiveness of the Council's current programs.

Labor, Health & Social Services

Standard Budget: \$50,000.00

Priority #: 1 Wyoming Aging Population

The Committee will examine ways to address the growing aging population in Wyoming. Among other proposals, the Committee may consider:

1. Changes to Medicaid to support individuals in need of long-term care;
2. Regulation of long-term care facilities, including financial viability and service availability;
3. Existing long-term care workforce issues;
4. Rebasement long-term care facility reimbursement rates;
5. Senior health care special districts (2019 HB 181); and
6. Consultation services with long-term care service providers.

The Committee will summarize its long-term care findings and provide these to the Joint Appropriations Committee.

Priority #: 2 Mental Health & Substance Abuse

The Committee will examine mental health and substance abuse issues to identify better health outcomes and savings to the State of Wyoming. Among other proposals, the Committee may consider:

1. A Medicaid behavioral health waiver for adults;
2. Prevention services and services provided by community mental health providers, including financing, direct funding, Medicaid, statutory authorization and private reimbursement;
3. Title 25 issues, including stranded patients in community hospitals, pre-State Hospital diversions, post-State Hospital reintegration into communities and access to community services;
4. Adolescent mental health, especially acute care and post-acute care placements and the continuum of care;
5. Department of Corrections issues, including mental health and substance abuse funding, counselors in correctional facilities, and handoffs to community service providers when prisoners are released; and
6. A Justice Reinvestment review of mental/behavioral health and substance abuse issues, in partnership with the Council of State Governments.

Priority #: 3 Responses to Federal Actions, Litigation and Reports from State Agencies

Air Ambulance

The Committee will monitor the implementation of 2019 HB 194 (Air ambulance coverage-Medicaid) and receive updates regarding ongoing litigation related to workers' compensation reimbursement rates for air ambulance providers.

Congressional Actions and ACA Litigation

The Committee will monitor legislation in Congress relating to health care and insurance, as well as take any necessary actions relating to ongoing litigation surrounding the constitutionality of the ACA (Texas v. United States, Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals) and the payment of cost-sharing reductions.

Multiple Employer Welfare Arrangements and Short-Term Health Insurance Plans

The Committee will monitor federal regulatory issues relating to multiple employer welfare arrangements and short-term health insurance plans for impacts on Wyoming's small and individual health insurance market.

Labor Standards Compliance

The Committee intends to work with the Department of Workforce Services to study Wyoming labor laws which may need to be amended to ensure compliance with federal requirements. These amendments will likely allow the Department of Workforce Services to take a greater role in enforcing labor laws.

Agency Reports

During the 2019 interim, the Committee is required to receive reports from agencies on the following topics:

- Multi-payer claims database (2019 HB 1, Department of Administration & Information);
- Review of sustained hospital viability (2019 HB 1, Department of Health); and
- Medicaid services for school districts (2019 HB 1, Department of Health).

Family First Prevention Services Act

Congress enacted the Family First Prevention Services Act (the Act) in February 2018. The Act is intended to provide in-home prevention services to families prior to the removal of a child from a home and to encourage kinship placement when removal is deemed necessary. The Committee intends to study the potential impact of the Act in Wyoming.

Medicaid Birth Cost Recovery

The Committee intends to review outcomes associated with recent legislation relating to Medicaid birth cost recovery (2018 HB 86).

TANF and SNAP Issues

The Committee intends to study the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) case load and existing work requirements for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

Task Force Reports

During the 2019 interim, the Committee is required to receive a final report from the Opioid Addiction Task Force (2018 SF 78).

Select Federal Natural Resource Management Committee

Standard Budget: \$15,000.00

Priority #: 1 Statutory Responsibilities

The Select Federal Natural Resource Management Committee is charged by statute to (1) review federal policies or actions that may impact the management, development, or use of the state's natural resources; and (2) develop and introduce legislative responses to federal policies and actions that are necessary to protect the state's interests, including issues related to the structure of ownership of federal lands within the state.

Management Audit Committee

Standard Budget: \$20,000.00

Select Water Committee

Standard Budget: \$45,000.00

Priority #: 1 Statutory Responsibilities

The Select Water Committee is required by statute to monitor the water development program, review project contracts and prepare annual legislation. The Committee is also required by statute to review and make recommendations regarding the project funding list under the Safe Drinking Water Revolving Fund program.

Priority #: 2 Review of In-stream Flow Laws

This topic will include a review of the current process related to in-stream flows. This topic will include an analysis of the statutory requirements compared to actions taken by the involved agencies.

Priority #: 3 Beneficial Use of Water

This topic will include a review of the beneficial uses of water in statute and as determined by the State Engineer.

Select Committee on Tribal Relations

Standard Budget: \$10,000.00

Priority #: 1 Promotion of Intergovernmental Relationships

The Committee will work to facilitate and foster communication and robust working relationships among State, Tribal, Federal and local entities and pursue opportunities for encouraging economic growth, nondiscrimination and wellbeing for citizens on the Reservation and in neighboring communities, including discussing:

- Developments of the Wind River Inter-Tribal Council and information from each Tribe's Business

Council;

- Coordination with the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA);
- Synchronization and improvement of the relationships between the State Department of Family Services (DFS) and each Tribe's DFS;
- Requirements of the Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance for school construction, capital maintenance, regular maintenance and highway projects off the Reservation;
- Tobacco related or similar businesses, taxes or fees under consideration by either Tribe and how they may be compatible or at variance with State statutes, recent legislation and comparing with practices in other states;
- University efforts toward recruitment, retention and inclusion of Native American students;
- Voter registration requirements and the ability to register using Tribal IDs.

Priority #: 2 Infrastructure

- The Committee intends to study and facilitate discussion regarding solid waste issues on the Reservation. The Committee intends to study status reports and projects regarding control of transfer stations, prohibiting illegal dumping of waste generated off the Reservation, formation of a Tribal solid waste disposal district, and working with the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Fremont County Solid Waste District.
- The Committee aims to discuss timelines and needs for the Tribes to administer their own irrigation, health care, court and housing projects. In addition, The Committee will examine health care developments that affect the Tribes and access to health care, including Indian Health Services reimbursements, elder care, and updates from the Wyoming Department of Health regarding peer to peer behavioral health services and the Section 1115 Tribal Uncompensated Care Demonstration Waiver.
- The Committee will receive updates and facilitate discussion about the maintenance and development of public utility infrastructure, including easements and rights-of-way, roads and facilities for the provision of natural gas, broadband, electricity, water and sewage.

Priority #: 3 Legal Services and Community Matters Involving Law Enforcement

- School absenteeism is an urgent matter that affects student success and involves many parties. In educational neglect and truancy situations, sometimes juvenile services or law enforcement needs to become involved with the parents or the student. The Committee intends to continue discussion from the previous interim and work with the County Attorney, Tribal Court, DFSs, community organizations and Education Committee to address truancy matters on and around the Reservation.
- The Committee plans to examine developing a better framework for tracking missing persons, to

identify missing persons of native descent, to examine legislation from other states, and to improve the working relationship among agencies that track missing persons.

- The Committee would like to study school districts performance, leadership and personnel and opportunities in consolidation, including the frequent dismissal of school superintendents from Fremont County School District #38.
- The Tribes have built the inter-tribal Wind River Court. The Committee wants to keep all interested persons apprised of developments and to have an opportunity for discussion about the court facilities, personnel and development of a new inter-tribal law and order code.
- The Committee proposes to continue discussions regarding law enforcement jurisdiction issues, including highway patrol and Fremont County law enforcement.

Select Committee on Capital Financing & Investments

Standard Budget: \$33,000.00

Priority #: 1 Spending Policies Review and Corpus Growth

The Committee will review the state spending policies for the state's funds pursuant to W.S. 9-4-719(p) and amounts within the Hathaway Endowment and Excellence in Higher Education Reserve Accounts in accordance with W.S. 21-16-1302(b) and 9-4-719(n). In a more detailed review this year, the Committee will assess: (i) the spending policies and distributions from the reserve accounts; (ii) size of reserve accounts; (iii) realistic potential of inflation-proofing the corpus funds and (iv) history of income, expenditures, and anticipated demands on the Hathaway Student Scholarship Endowment fund, Excellence in Higher Education Endowment fund; and Wyoming Wildlife and Natural Resource Trust fund.

Priority #: 2 Public Purpose Investments

The Committee is charged by W.S. 9-4-715(n) with monitoring state funds invested for a specific public purpose authorized or directed by the Legislature. In carrying out this charge, the Committee will review the status of the state's public purpose investments and will receive updates on current investments.

Priority #: 3 Investment Performance and Policies

The Committee will assess the initial impact of the Investment Funds Committee on the state's investment policy and potential expansion of in-house investment management modeled on the state of South Dakota. Separately, the Committee will review the asset allocation and performance of investment pools created after the adoption of 2016 Constitutional amendment A.

Priority #: 4 Review of Revenue from State Trust Lands

The Committee will review and assess options to generate additional revenue from state lands. Specifically, the Committee will consider the level of state royalty rates and severance tax distributions of extractions on state lands. This topic may result in legislation.

Priority #: 5 Statutory Responsibilities: Reports

The Committee is charged, by statute, with monitoring the establishment and implementation of the state's investment and capital financing policies. Consideration of the following reports are anticipated:

- a) Update and status of the Investment Funds Committee from the State Treasurer's Office, including an evaluation of risk of state investments pursuant to W.S. 9-4-715(d)(ii);
- b) Investment policy statement for the legislative stabilization reserve account and investment performance of the account pursuant to W.S. 9-4-715(q)(iv);
- c) Update and status of the State Treasurer's Office internal investing build-out and performance compensation pursuant to W.S. 9-1-409(f) and on performance compensation from the Wyoming Retirement Board pursuant to W.S. 9-3-406(d);
- d) Report on investment performance and fees for fiscal year 2019 from the State Treasurer; and

Tentative Meeting Schedule

The Committee is authorized up to four (4) meeting days; at least one (1) of which will be in November. As directed by Management Council, all interim work must be completed by November 30.

Select Committee on School Facilities

Standard Budget: \$15,500.00

Priority #: 1 Statutory Responsibilities

The Select Committee is charged by statute to: (1) monitor the assessment of statewide school facility needs, the prioritization of those needs and remediation of identified needs as undertaken by the school facilities commission and department; (2) develop knowledge and expertise among its members relating to statewide facility adequacy; (3) prepare budget recommendations addressing statewide building and facility needs; and (4) review commission rules.

Select Natural Resource Funding Committee

Standard Budget: \$8,000.00

Priority #: 1 Large Project Funding Legislation

The Committee will review grant applications for large projects recommended by the Wyoming Wildlife and Natural Resource Trust Account Board and sponsor legislation to fund projects based on available funds. This topic represents the Committee's responsibilities under W.S. 28-11-401(b) to review and sponsor legislation for Board-recommended large projects.

As a component of this topic, the Committee will also likely study the impact of HB 142 (2019) which authorized transfers from the Wildlife and Natural Resource Income Account to the Trust Account.

Priority #: 2 Review of Ongoing Projects

The Committee intends to tour ongoing large projects funded in previous years to ensure funds are being expended properly and to monitor project progress. The Committee will also likely receive updates from stakeholders and the public on the impact of these projects.

Wyoming's Tomorrow Task Force

Standard Budget: \$16,000.00

Priority #: 1 Tennessee Promise Program

Study the Tennessee Promise Program and consider other scholarship or grant programs in order to form the development and potential education scholarship or grant programs to be funded through a state created endowment fund.

Priority #: 2 Review of State Funded Economic Development Diversification

Review existing state funded economic development diversification and workforce development programs and consider potential alignment of and need for those programs with the implementation of the Wyoming's Tomorrow program.

Priority #: 3 Other Recommendations

Consider other recommendations as provided in 2019 HB 310.

Air Transportation Liaison Committee

Standard Budget: \$8,000.00