# Wyoming Legislative Interim Committee 2017 Schedule (All meetings are tentative and start at 8:00 a.m.)

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#### Judiciary

- April 20-21 Thermopolis
- June 6-7 Sheridan
- Tentative November 16-17 Wheatland

# **Appropriations**

• July 17-18 - Rawlins

#### Revenue

- May 11-12 Saratoga
- June 12 Riverton (School Finance Recalibration/JRC)
- August 2-3 Thermopolis
- September 12-13 Buffalo
- December 4-5 TBD

#### **Education**

- June 20-21 Casper
- September 27-28 Casper
- November 14-15 Casper

#### Joint Agriculture, State and Public Lands and Water Resources Committee

- May 8-9 Hulett
- September 11-12 Dubois

#### **Travel, Recreation, Wildlife & Cultural Resources**

- April 24-25 Greybull
- August 29-30 Lander
- November 6-7 Cheyenne

#### **Corporations, Elections & Political Subdivisions**

- May 18-19 Laramie
- September 18-19 Lander
- November 8-9 TBD

# **Transportation, Highways & Military Affairs**

- May 30-31 Douglas
- October 26-27 Newcastle
- November 27-28 Thermopolis

#### Minerals, Business & Economic Development

- June 29-30 Casper
- August 31- September 1 Casper
- October 23-24 Casper

# **Labor, Health, and Social Services**

- April 27-28 Casper
- October 16-17 TBD
- November 15-16 TBD
- January 11-12 TBD

# **<u>Air Transportation Liaison Committee</u>**

• Tentative September 6 - Jackson

# **School Facilities**

- June 19 Casper
- September 26 Casper
- October 30 Casper

# **Select Federal Natural Resource Management Committee**

- June 28 Casper
- August 30 Casper

# **Select Water Committee**

- June 8-9 Cheyenne
- August 23-25 Green River
- November 2-3 Casper

# **Wyoming Retirement System**

- May 15-16 Cheyenne
- August 23-24 Lander
- November 15-16 Cheyenne

#### JOINT JUDICIARY INTERIM COMMITTEE

Standard Budget: \$46,000.00

Priority #: 1 Stalking Penalties, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assaults, Restraining Orders and Family Violence

The Committee will study and review current laws to ensure consistency and uniformity in Wyoming statutes related to stalking penalties, domestic violence, sexual assault, restraining orders and other statutory provisions related to family violence.

Priority #: 2 Review of Probation and Parole Programs

The Committee will conduct a review of the effectiveness of the probation and parole programs regarding case load and case management.

Priority #: 3 Evidence Based Pre-Trial Release Policies

The Committee will examine current pre-trial release policies and practices, including risk assessment practices.

Priority #: 4 Judicial Updates Relating to Courtroom Technology and Court Operations

The Committee will receive reports and updates relating to the delineation of responsibility for costs incurred with respect to program technology, operation and management of the courts as identified by the Judicial Branch including the impacts and implementation of court technology fees provided in 2017 HB0192 and implementation of a district court management system.

Priority #: 5 Post-Conviction Review

The Committee will review remedies to determine if an adjustment in existing law could address concerns with the post-conviction review process.

Priority #: 6 Reports from the Department of Corrections regarding the Status of the Wyoming State Penitentiary

The Committee will receive reports and updates from the Department of Corrections regarding the ongoing status of the Wyoming State Penitentiary in Rawlins and other correctional facilities in the state. These reports shall detail the capacity, current occupancy and the general state of operations at each of the state's correctional facilities.

Priority #: 7 Streamlined Bail and Forfeiture Schedule

The Committee will review the Bail and Forfeiture Schedule and related statutes in order to identify statutory changes which would clarify and simplify the current process.

Priority #: 8 Volunteer Health Care

The Committee will consider the following specific topic areas:

- 1. Providing volunteer health care services to low income persons.
- 2. Volunteer health care services through contracts with the Department of Health.
- 3. Providing legal protection through the Wyoming Government Claims Act.

Priority #: 9 Child Custody

The Committee will conduct a comprehensive review of current child custody and child support enforcement statutes, including the possibility of intercepting or garnishing pari-mutuel winnings for payment of past due or unpaid child support.

Priority #: 10 Edible Marihuana

The Committee will study the narrow issue of amending the statutes relating to the possession of marihuana to account for edible forms.

#### **Tentative Meeting Schedule**

3-2 DAY MTGS

#### JOINT APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

The standard budget provides funding for one, 2-day meeting and one, 1-day meeting. In order to fully conduct a review of issues related to the State Penitentiary as well as other interim topics, the Committee is requesting an additional \$6,000 for one additional day of meetings and salary, mileage and per diem for two additional legislators to attend that meeting: two, 2-day meetings, with one of those in Rawlins.

Standard Budget: \$19,600.00

Priority #: 1 Wyoming Department of Corrections Facilities and Operations

Receive and review the penal facility peer review study pursuant to Section 332 of 2017 HB 0001. Require and receive regular reports on the ongoing status of the physical plant of the Wyoming State Penitentiary (WSP). If necessary, JAC may draft enabling legislation authorizing a Level II feasibility study, Level III design and construction, or both, for the maintenance, repair or replacement of WSP. Additionally, the Committee will review the staffing needs, capacity, funding needs, and operational structure of the institutions, including investigating potential privatization options, and facility requirements of all Department of Corrections institutions. The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each appoint one additional legislator, respectively, to attend the additional JAC meeting in Rawlins to participate in the Committee discussion on issues related to the Wyoming State Penitentiary, but not vote on any issues before the Committee. Additional members appointed to attend the JAC meeting shall have, to the greatest extent practicable, specialized knowledge in architecture, geotechnics, other disciplines of engineering, or other related expertise.

Priority #: 2 Enterprise Technology Services (ETS) Consolidation, Hardware and Software

The Committee will review the status, benefits and opportunities for re-structuring or continued consolidation of information technology (IT) services. In addition to current staffing, structure and service delivery, the Committee will review statewide hardware and software costs and purchasing practices. The topic may conclude with structural revisions, budget revisions within the 2019-2020 biennium or recommended statutory changes with the intent to improve service delivery, reduce costs or both.

#### Priority #: 3 State Employee Benefits

The Committee will review state employee and retiree benefits including but not limited to: health insurance, including premiums, deductibles and co-payments; retiree health insurance; life insurance; longevity pay; dental insurance; optical insurance; retirement benefits; and vacation for state government employees. The Committee will consider a review of the Hay Group Study, including review of comparable wages in the private sector and surrounding states, and investigation of what personnel from other governmental entities and political subdivisions and other entities which are eligible for state benefits. This topic is primarily educational for new committee members, though it could result in appropriation adjustments or statutory changes.

#### Priority #: 4 Department of Family Services Title IV-E Reimbursements

The Committee will require explanation from the Department of Family Services regarding the agency's efforts and opportunities for improvement to increase federal Title IV-E (child welfare) reimbursement in order to maximize State resources. This Committee review may result in proposed legislation, revisions to the 2019-2020 budget or changes to internal practices.

#### Priority #: 5 Water and State Lands Funding Trends

The Committee will review revenues, non-project appropriations, expenditures and non-project programs benefiting from Water Development Account funding, including but not limited to, Office of State Lands and Investments, State Engineer and the Water Development Commission. The Committee will conduct a similar review regarding overall revenues, appropriations and expenditures for permanent land funds, administration costs and sources of funding. These reviews may result in proposed legislative changes, revisions to the 2019-2020 budget, or both.

#### **Tentative Meeting Schedule**

2-2 DAY MTG

#### JOINT REVENUE INTERIM COMMITTEE

[Management Council also approved an additional \$39,000.00 for 5 additional meeting days. One of those meeting days will be a joint meeting with the Joint Education Interim Committee to consider funding issues and potential legislation related to public schools.]

Standard Budget: \$46,500.00

#### Priority #: 1 Wyoming tax structure and revenue streams

This topic will include a global review of the current tax structure in Wyoming and will include a review and update of the Tax Reform 2000 report to consider possible future revenue sources. The Committee will review and identify new revenue sources or diversion of existing revenue streams or sources for the support of generally funded operations of the Wyoming state government and public schools in Wyoming to offset the deficits in state government operations and in public education for school operations, school facilities and major maintenance. In studying this priority, the Committee may consult the Joint Education Interim Committee and the Select Education Finance and School Recalibration Committee created by 2017 Wyoming Session Law, Ch. 205, Sec. 8, (original 2017 HB 236), or other committee of the Legislature as necessary.

The Committee will report its findings on additional revenue sources to support public education to the Select Education Finance and School Recalibration Committee not later than November 10, 2017. The Committee's findings will include proposals to generate an additional revenues or diversion of existing revenue streams in the amounts of 100 million, 200 million and 300 million annually to offset the deficits in state government operations and in public education for school operations, school facilities and major maintenance.

Council has authorized four additional meeting dates to study this topic and develop legislation. The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each appoint one additional legislator, respectively, to attend the meetings on this priority. Appointed members may attend the meetings and participate in Committee discussion, but shall not vote on issues before the Committee.

#### Priority #: 2 Gross receipts tax

This topic will include a study of the opportunities and challenges related to imposing a gross receipts tax in Wyoming. The study will focus on the ability of imposing a gross receipts tax on foreign corporations. The study will review the imposition of gross receipts taxes by states with similar economies and industries as Wyoming.

#### Priority #: 3 Review of fees

This topic will include a review of user fees of agencies that report to the Joint Revenue Committee, including a review of the fees charged for vital records, in light of the revenue needs of the state and local governments.

## Priority #: 4 Fiscal impact model for diversified industries

This topic will include a study of the ability to adapt the state tax structure to econometric analysis models to address the fiscal impacts of industries on the state economy when new or different industries enter the state economy, including minerals which are not currently produced in the state and value added industries.

Priority #: 5 Lodging tax

The Committee will review the feasibility of using a statewide lodging tax for funding the Department of Tourism. The Committee will also consider other potential non-general fund sources for funding the Department of Tourism.

Priority #: 6 Tobacco and alcohol taxes

The Committee will consider the taxation of cigarettes sold on the Wind River Indian Reservation in addition to a review of cigarette, tobacco taxes and alcohol taxes in general.

Priority #: 7 Statute of limitations on excise taxes.

The Committee will review the statute of limitations for sales and use taxes compared to other taxes in Wyoming including a review of the method in which payments may be made in protest and the potential to refund such payments.

Priority #: 8 Evaluation of local government revenue options

The Committee will review a study and recommendations of local governments regarding local funding options.

Priority #: 9 Financial obligations to the state and enforcement mechanisms

The Committee will review the collection processes and procedures for financial obligations owed to the state.

# **Tentative Meeting Schedule**

5-2 Day MTGS and 1-1 day joint meeting with JEC

#### JOINT EDUCATION INTERIM COMMITTEE

Standard Budget: \$54,000.00

Priority #: 1 Education Funding

The Committee will study and explore potential efficiencies and other cost saving options in Wyoming public education to address the funding deficit for school operations, school facilities and major maintenance. In studying this priority, the Committee may consult the Joint Revenue Interim Committee and the Select Education Finance and School Recalibration Committee created by 2017 Wyoming Session Law, Ch. 205, Sec. 8, (original 2017 HB 236) as necessary.

The Committee will report its findings on potential efficiencies and other cost saving options in Wyoming public education to address the funding deficit for school operations, school facilities and major maintenance to the Select Education Finance and School Recalibration Committee not later than November 10, 2017.

#### Priority #: 2 Education Accountability

The Committee will continue efforts related to the Wyoming Accountability in Education Act (WAEA), including: review of Wyoming graduation standards as required by 2015 SF008 and State Board of Education rules and regulations, implementation of an alternative school accountability model as required by 2016 SF032, implementation of the statewide system of support, implementation of the federal ESSA, reports required under 2017 HB040, and implementation of the new statewide summative assessment and implications on the WAEA.

#### Priority #: 3 Computer Science Education

The Committee will develop a multi-pronged strategy for increasing the number of opportunities across the state for students to take classes in computer science/computational thinking. This may include an analysis of graduation requirements, accountability indicators, Professional Teaching Standards Board credentialing practices, funding mechanisms, the common core of knowledge and skills, and public-private partnerships.

#### Priority #: 4 Education & Military

The Committee will work to find solutions to incentivize schools to recommend at-risk youth to the Wyoming Youth Challenge Program (WYCP), fully utilize the WYCP's resources, implement new Every Student Succeeds Act requirements related to military child identification, and support military spouses who are in the education profession.

#### Priority #: 5 Medically Necessary Placements

The Committee will review and study the education provisions necessary for children placed in Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES), group homes and residential treatment facilities for medical necessities.

#### Priority #: 6 PTSB: Online Credentialing Service

Receive a report from the Professional Teaching Standards Board on the implementation of the online credentialing system created by Enterprise Technology Services.

#### Priority #: 7 Wyoming Unified Network

Analyze funding and bandwidth requirements to extend the Wyoming Unified Network to all state school locations.

#### **Tentative Meeting Schedule**

3-2 DAY MTGS and 1-1 day joint meeting with the Joint Revenue Interim Committee

[NOTE: JEC members are also authorized per diem and mileage to attend meetings of the Select Committee on School Finance Recalibration created by 2016 HB 236.]

# JOINT AGRICULTURE, STATE AND PUBLIC LANDS AND WATER RESOURCES INTERIM COMMITTEE

Standard Budget: \$31,000.00

Priority #: 1 Stranded State Lands Inventory and Valuation Matrix

The committee will work with the Office of State Lands and Investments to review the current inventory of the surface and subsurface appurtenances of stranded or isolated state land parcels within federal lands and to begin to develop a method or matrix for valuing resource potential of these sections for possible future federal land exchange or disposal.

Priority #: 2 Fire Suppression Account Review and Evaluation

The committee will review the use and operation of the Fire Suppression Account, including but not limited to: county participation; fee structure, payment and use of the funds; by whom and when the funds may be called; and the effectiveness of funds used for non-fire activities (e.g. bark beetle mitigation).

Priority #: 3 Review of the Prior Appropriation Statutory System of Water Allocation

The committee will review the current principles of Wyoming and western water law and determine whether statutory changes are necessary to ensure that the prior appropriation doctrine remains the appropriate system of water allocation and enforcement in Wyoming.

Priority #: 4 State-led Collaborative for Federal Lands Management Process and Programs

The committee will review other model collaborative structures (e.g. other western states and the Wyoming County Commissioners Association) to determine which may be most applicable to the state to develop for potential state-led federal land management processes and programs.

Priority #: 5 Reports and Updates from Agencies

The committee will receive updates from agencies regarding federal and other actions that may impact agency administration, citizens and producers in the state.

Priority #: 6 State Fair

The committee will study the operations of the Wyoming State Fair and develop potential legislative options for the Fair to become self-sufficient.

**Tentative Meeting Schedule** 

2-2 DAY MTGS

JOINT TRAVEL, RECREATION, WILDLIFE AND CULTURAL RESOURCES INTERIM COMMITTEE

Standard Budget: \$46,000.00

#### Priority #: 1 Game and Fish Department

- 1. The committee will study and consider the following:
- a. The selling of wildlife location information;
- b. The status of sensitive wildlife information for purposes of public records provisions;
- c. The special allocation of hunting licenses, including commissioners' licenses, governor's licenses and special hunt licenses, such as the One Shot Antelope hunts.
- 2. The committee will receive information concerning endangered and sensitive species, including any memoranda of understanding and cooperative agreements related to endangered and sensitive species.
- 3. The committee will receive updates on department programs and any other issues which the department would bring to the committee.

#### Priority #: 2 Gambling regulations

The committee will study and consider the regulation of gambling, including bingo and pull tab game events including reviewing other states' rules and regulations and how those regulations may be tailored for adoption in Wyoming.

# Priority #: 3 Department of State Parks and Cultural Resources

- 1. The committee will review and update statutes related to the designation or elimination of state parks, historic sites, archaeological sites and recreation areas.
- 2. The committee will receive updates and information on the Quebec 1 missile alert facility and will study and consider how the current fee structure would cover the facility's budget.
- 3. The committee will receive updates on department programs.
- 4. Review, monitor and analyze any proposed fee structure changes at state parks and any proposed capital expenditure projects.

#### Priority #: 4 Office of Tourism

The committee will receive updates on department programs and other issues which the department would bring to the committee.

#### Priority #: 5 Reporting Agencies

The committee will receive reports and updates and consider recommendations from the following:

- 1. Wildlife and Natural Resource Trust Fund;
- 2. Bicycle and Pedestrian System Task Force;
- 3. Governor's Fish and Wildlife Task Force:
- 4. Governor's Outdoor Recreation Task Force.

#### **Tentative Meeting Schedule**

3-2 DAY MTGS

#### JOINT CORPORATIONS, ELECTIONS AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS INTERIM COMMITTEE

Standard Budget: \$45,500.00

Priority #: 1 Utilities

- 1. Electricity generation and ratemaking.
- 2. Monitor federal government policies involving public utilities.
- 3. Telecommunication issues.
- 4. Public Service Commission issues and updates.
- 5. Investigate the electricity market structure/regulatory alternatives.

Priority #: 2 Elections

- 1. County clerks recommendations, including mail ballot elections, modernizing voting equipment, polling places and election judges, presidential primary elections, party change deadlines and voter identification.
- 2. Campaign finance reporting and oversight.

Priority #: 3 Insurance

- 1. Accreditation issues.
- 2. Update statutes related to insurance.

Priority #: 4 Local governments

- 1. Extraterritorial jurisdiction of municipalities.
- 2. Consumer Contracts-related to HB0227

Priority #: 5 Corporations and Limited Liability Companies.

1. Study establishing reasonable user corporate filing fees, registration fees and other corporate fees. Consider potential corporate valuation based on net assets as compared to net value and valuation based on total assets or assets located in Wyoming.

Priority #: 6 Statutory Gender References.

1. Review and update prior legislation.

Priority #: 7 Reports

1. Receive statutorily required reports.

**Tentative Meeting Schedule** 

3-2 DAY MTGS

JOINT TRANSPORTATION, HIGHWAYS AND MILITARY AFFAIRS INTERIM COMMITTEE

Standard Budget: \$46,000.00

Priority #: 1 Vehicle Registration

The county commissioners and/or county treasurers will report on and provide a chart on vehicle registration and other costs of surrounding states and review potential legislation related to Wyoming owners who register their vehicles in other states. Relates to 2017 House Bill 280 Vehicle registration requirements.

Priority #: 2 WyoLink Operations, Functionality and Funding Structure

WYDOT will report on the WyoLink status and review governance, finances, and which components the Committee may need to address (modernization/technological improvement, coverage, federal interconnectedness and capitalization issues as well as project/fee participation by local governments).

Priority #: 3 Funding Veterans' Home Skilled Nursing Care

The Committee will review Military Department information and LSO's Program Evaluation Division audit entitled "Wyoming Department of Health: Veterans' Home of Wyoming" regarding funding (federal approximately 60% of construction costs), construction and operation of a potential skilled nursing facility on the Veterans' Home campus or in another Wyoming community and may develop possible legislation for implementation. Wyoming is the only state without a skilled nursing facility for veterans.

Priority #: 4 Revenue Information System (RIS) Modernization Project

WYDOT will report on the current RIS regarding technological and cost issues (both financial and potential failure risk) and potential options for replacement. This topic may include Notification of Vehicle Insurance Lapse as a result of WYDOT's report on the topic.

Priority #: 5 Title 31 Motor Service Club Statutory Update

The Committee will work to revise, update, and clean up antiquated statutory language related to motor service clubs.

Priority #: 6 Update Title 19 and other statutes relating to the military

The Military Department will identify statutes that may require revision, update, or clean-up related to military matters.

Priority #: 7 Abandoned Boats

The Committee will work to establish statutory authority to identify abandoned watercraft and to obtain title to remove from public and/or private property. Relates to 2017 House Bill 78 Salvage title – updates.

Priority #: 8 Revised I-80 Planning Study

WYDOT will report on and review the master plan for I-80 and the federal financial resources that may become available to act on the plan. Relates to 2017 Senate File 140 I-80 project master plan.

Priority #: 9 Veterans' Tuition Program revision

The Committee will review the program to find possible solutions to fulfill current commitments and provide equitable benefit, keeping in mind the state's declining revenues. Relates to 2017 House Bill 176 Veterans tuition waiver program requirements.

Priority #: 10 Committee will receive reports to determine if additional committee action is required

- 1. Specialty License Plates fundraising, state marketing and public relations and possible modular plates. Relates to 2017 House Bill 66 Yellowstone license plates.
- 2. Notification of Vehicle Insurance Lapse and enforcement potentially addressed with Revenue Information System (RIS) Modernization Project.
- 3. Organ and Tissue Donor/Transplant Options on Drivers' Licenses election for separate endorsement or clarification on driver's licenses, such as if individual wishes to donate for "transplant only" and not for scientific purposes.
- 4. Government, military and industry reports regarding federal or judicial developments and actions that may require committee/legislative response.

#### **Tentative Meeting Schedule**

3-2 day meetings.

# JOINT MINERALS, BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Standard Budget: \$46,000.00

Priority #: 1 Governor's energy strategy

The Committee's goal will be to create legislation to increase the speed of permitting and determine if there is an opening to gain state primacy in areas of permitting. Report by the energy industry on the state of minerals in Wyoming and the world. Possible legislation to facilitate a sliding scale for the payment of the uranium severance tax.

Priority #: 2 CCUS Wyoming coal power plant retrofit and Next Gen power plant.

The Committee will study the possibility, in conjunction with the Governor's Office of requesting a grant from the federal Department of Energy for an analysis of potential carbon capture at a Wyoming Power Station. Presentations and feasibility studies from the School of Energy and Western Research Institute and if possible identification of legislative options to promote the best practices in the industry for retrofits and Next Gen Power production.

Priority #: 3 Pore space

The Committee will discuss the liability involved with pore space utilization as provided in 2017 HB0249. Review the Wyoming statutory scheme to ensure we have an adequate framework to encourage carbon capture and injection for enhanced oil recovery and sequestration.

Priority #: 4 State financial programs

Review state financial programs available to public and non-public entities. Report and consider any associated legislation that the ENDOW committee may request. Consider areas identified as possible industrial parks with possible anchor tenant, and potential zoning or permitting issues. Receive report on broadband expansion in the state. The Committee will further study the use of the Public Purpose Investments program to assist locals with projects that have for the last 10 years been funded by grant programs, including assisting potential job creating industries to locate in the state.

Priority #: 5 Treasurer report

Treasurer to report on the return on loans and any potential future loans for economic development. Discuss potential investment strategy per the recently passed constitutional amendment. Discuss market rate funding. Review public purpose investment programs and determine if statutory changes are needed to make the programs more effective.

Priority #: 6 Air Service

Air service committee will report and discuss the viability of a long term funding source for the Air Service Enhancement Program.

Priority #: 7 Bonding

Bonding for coalbed methane water injection wells that have been transferred from the original producer or operator.

Priority #: 8 Orphan contaminated properties

The Committee will explore legislative options to remediate orphan contaminated properties ("brownfields").

Priority #: 9 DEQ Financial Assurance

The Committee will receive a report from the Department of Environmental Quality concerning the status of issues pertaining to financial assurance "bonding." The Committee will consider if there is a need for any clarifying language while maintaining primacy requirements.

Priority #: 10 Cease and Transfer

Update the cease and transfer priority list.

**Tentative Meeting Schedule** 

3 2-day meetings

#### JOINT LABOR, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES INTERIM COMMITTEE

Standard Budget: \$46,000.00

Priority #: 1 Responses to Federal Actions

- Repeal and replace or failure of the Affordable Care Act [NOTE: The Committee shall only study this topic upon further approval of Management Council.]; Medicaid program changes including committee education in anticipation of changes
- Health insurance changes McCarran-Ferguson Act, ERISA, air ambulance regulation
- Other issues, as mandated by federal action in areas of committee jurisdiction

#### Priority #: 2 Healthcare

- Mental health / substance use continuum of care (including the Title 25 system)
- Nursing shortages and outreach/recruitment efforts; other health workforce issues
- Monitor healthcare provider reimbursement rebasing viability of DD and other providers
- Monitor and provide input on University of Wyoming studies and activity concerning medical education programs, including the Wyoming Family Practice Residency Program and WWAMI
- Solicitation of public and agency data and proposals for health care reform
- Study and update Wyoming Statutes concerning organ donation, including review of organ procurement network in Wyoming, with an emphasis on enhancing access to donated organs for Wyoming residents.

#### Priority #: 3 Labor Law and Workforce Compensation

- Seasonal workers / contract employees unemployment compensation / workers' compensation exemptions
- OSHA collection of fines nonresident employer bonding
- Occupational licensing restrictions based on criminal convictions and other factors
- Obsolete reporting requirements from the Department of Workforce Services

### Priority #: 4 Healthcare Data - Medical Records and Claims Information

- Multipayer claims databases development and use of databases; results from currently pending contract
- Medical records Wyoming's Health Information Exchange electronic medical records; meaningful use requirements

#### Priority #: 5 Committee Education

- Policy and fiscal implications of the budget process as related to agencies which report to the committee
- Agency reports required by statute

#### **Tentative Meeting Schedule**

3-2 DAY MTGS

[NOTE: Management Council may authorize additional meeting if the Committee is approved to study "repeal or replacement of the Affordable Care Act."]

#### MANAGEMENT AUDIT COMMITTEE

Standard Budget: \$22,000.00

Priority #: 1 Statutory Responsibilities

Pursuant to W.S. 28-8-107, the Management Audit Committee directs the program evaluations performed by the LSO program evaluation staff.

#### **Tentative Meeting Schedule**

2-2 DAY MTGS

#### **SELECT COMMITTEE ON AIR TRANSPORTATION**

Standard Budget: \$5,000.00

Priority #: 1 General Responsibilities

Created by the Management Council, the Select Committee on Air Transportation is statutorily charged with receiving reports from the Aeronautics Commission relating to the expenditure of funds from the air services enhancement account pursuant to W.S. 10-3-602(c). The Committee also reviews proposals for air service enhancements to spur economic development in the state.

#### **Tentative Meeting Schedule**

1-1 day meeting

#### **SELECT COMMITTEE ON CAPITAL FINANCING AND INVESTMENTS**

The Select Committee on Capital Financing and Investments requests funding for two, 1-day meetings, with one meeting in November. As such and based upon prior expenditures, the Committee is requesting a \$5,500 additional appropriation over the standard \$10,000 budget.

Standard Budget: \$10,000.00

Priority #: 1 Statutory Responsibilities

The Select Committee on Capital Financing and Investments is charged by statute with monitoring the establishment and implementation of the state's investment and capital financing policies.

#### **Tentative Meeting Schedule**

2-1 day meetings; one meeting in November

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 with (1) reviewing federal policies or actions which may impact the management, development or use of the state's natural resources; and (2) developing and introducing legislative responses to federal policies and actions necessary to protect the interests of the State, including issues related to the structure of ownership of federal lands within the state.

Priority #: 2 Priorities

1. Update from the Wyoming Natural Resources Conservation Service on the Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program.

2. Update on Endangered Species Act's impacts on Wyoming from the Fish and Wildlife Service, Wyoming congressional delegation and Governor's Office.

3. Bureau of Reclamation approval of expenditures for projects in Wyoming under the Colorado River Energy Distribution Association and Colorado River Basin Fund Memorandum of Understanding.

4. Report from the Wyoming Landscape Conservation Initiative executive group.

5. Update on management action associated with bighorn–domestic sheep interaction from the United States Forest Service, Wyoming Game and Fish Department and Wyoming Wool Growers-Stock Growers.

#### **Tentative Meeting Schedule**

3 1-day meetings

# SELECT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FACILITIES, TECHNOLOGY AND PROCESS

Standard Budget: \$10,000.00

Priority #: 1 Website Design and Deployment

Complete design and deployment of the Legislature's new Website, including the front-end design and information/document interface.

Priority #: 2 Development and implementation of SharePoint

The Select Committee will continue to provide oversight of the development of the SharePoint legislative management system.

Priority #: 3 Review of Technology and Process Functions Relating to the Capitol Square Project

As directed by the Capitol Building Restoration Oversight Group, the Select Committee will make recommendations regarding facility, technology and process functions related to the renovation of the Capitol that impact the legislative branch.

Priority #: 4 General Responsibilities Relating to Technology

Provide oversight of the Legislature's computer, audio/video and Website development by the LSO operations division staff. The Committee will review and update the Legislature's current information strategy to continue to guide technology development for the legislative branch.

Priority #: 5 General Responsibilities Relating to Legislative Process

Review and recommend rule and process changes and other innovations to enhance the efficient, open and transparent operations of the Legislature.

### **Tentative Meeting Schedule**

3-1 day meetings

#### 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.

# **Tentative Meeting Schedule**

3-1 day meetings

### **SELECT NATURAL RESOURCE FUNDING COMMITTEE**

Standard Budget: \$5,000.00

Priority #: 1 General Responsibilities

Created by W.S. 28-11-401, the Committee will monitor wildlife and natural resource trust account board progress with regard to projects specified in W.S. 9-15-101 et seq. and other projects specified by law, review the budgets of all projects funded from the wildlife and natural resource trust income account as created in W.S. 9-15-103(b) and sponsor legislation to fund expenditures from the account as recommended by the select committee. Additionally, the Committee may review the project grant applications for large projects forwarded by the wildlife and natural resource trust account board. The

Committee shall consider sponsoring legislation to transfer its statutory duties to the Joint Travel, Recreation, Wildlife and Cultural Resources Interim Committee.

#### **Tentative Meeting Schedule**

1-1 day meeting

#### **SELECT COMMITTEE ON TRIBAL RELATIONS**

Standard Budget: \$10,000.00

Priority #: 1 General Responsibilities

Created by the Management Council, the Select Committee on Tribal Relations works with the Eastern Shoshone Indian Tribe, the Northern Arapaho Indian Tribe and various state agencies to address services and needs on the Wind River Indian Reservation.

Priority #: 2 Promotion of Intergovernmental Relationships

The Committee will work to facilitate and foster communication and strong working relationships among State, Tribal and local entities and pursue opportunities for encouraging economic growth and well-being for citizens on the Reservation and in neighboring communities, including exploring with the tribe housing authorities housing shortages and gaps. The Committee will consider any implications of Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals ruling in State of Wyoming and Wyoming Farm Bureau Federation v. United States Environmental Protection Agency. The Committee will facilitate cultural exchanges with Legislators.

Priority #: 3 Education

The Committee will receive reports and review information regarding education, including mechanisms for improving the quality of education and graduation rates, implementing an Indian education for all program authorized under (2017 HB0076) and funding schools on the Wind River Indian Reservation. The Committee will explore organizational options with and between Arapaho (School District 38) and St. Stephens BIA School.

Priority #: 4 Health

The Committee will examine issues relating to health care and will study opportunities for expanding and improving access to healthcare, medical education, mental health services and substance abuse services. The Committee will receive information and updates on the Section 1115 Medicaid waiver and other federal health care service programs, as well as information on state reimbursement of tribal services. The Committee will review and report regarding past Medicaid waivers and requests for waiver on access of tribal members to health care and will examine any follow-up necessary after adoption of 2017 HJ0008.

Priority #: 5 Infrastructure

The Committee will receive information and updates on the maintenance and development of public utility infrastructure, including easements and rights-of-way and facilities for the provision of natural gas, broadband, water and sewage.

Priority #: 6 Family Services

The Committee will receive reports and review information regarding criminal and family services, including updates on the federal Violence Against Women Act. The Committee will consider support services (health, nutrition, safety) for children and other family services issues that are a concern to the citizens on and near the Reservation.

Priority #: 7 Law Services

The Committee will receive updates from local law enforcement and the Bureau of Indian Affairs and review information regarding criminal activity on the Reservation, including cattle rustling and crime related to substance dependency.

Priority #: 8 Uniform Commercial Code

The Committee will determine state statues pertaining to inclusion of the development of the Wind River Indian Reservation Tribal Universal Commercial Code (UCC) for the purpose of establishing and maintaining economic development on the Reservation.

Priority #: 9 Additional Topics Determined by Management Council

Additional topics Management Council assigns

# **Tentative Meeting Schedule**

2-1 day meetings

#### **SELECT WATER COMMITTEE**

Standard Budget: \$48,000.00

Priority #: 1 Select water

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 Wyoming Water Development Commission (WWDC) Project Bidding, Awards, and Legislative Appropriations Process

The select committee will review the WWDC processes for project development to determine if there are alternative processes that may be more cost effective for the state.

# **Tentative Meeting Schedule**

4-2 day meetings Typically has workshop (salary)

# JOINT LEGISLATIVE AND EXECUTIVE TASK FORCE ON DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FACILITIES

Standard Budget: \$40,000.00

Priority #: 1 Duties as prescribed by law

Continuation and funding of this task force was provided in 2017 HB 291 (HEA 38).

# **Tentative Meeting Schedule**

STAND ALONE BILL