

SENATE FILE

SF0001

AN ACT relating to an appropriation for the legislature;  
providing an appropriation for the expenses of the 54th  
Wyoming legislature; and providing for an effective date.

SENATE FILE 0001

Robert L. Linn

Introduced by:

SENATE ACTION ON SENATE FILE

2/9 ☒ Introduced  
Aye \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Ex \_\_\_ Ab \_\_\_  
☐ Read First Time and Ref. to  
Committee No. 02  
☐ Failed Introduction  
Aye \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Ex \_\_\_ Ab \_\_\_  
2/11 Returned from Committee No. 02  
with Recommendation:  
☐ Do Pass; ☒ Amend & Do  
Pass; ☐ Do Not Pass;  
☐ W/O Recomm; ☐ Re-Refer to  
Committee No. \_\_\_  
1 Re-referred to Committee No. \_\_\_  
1 Returned from Committee No. \_\_\_  
with Recommendation:  
☐ Do Pass; ☐ Amend & Do  
Pass; ☐ Do Not Pass;  
☐ W/O Recomm; ☐ Re-Refer to  
Committee No. \_\_\_  
2/13 Considered in Comm. of Whole  
☒ Amended  
☒ Recommended Do Pass  
☐ Failed Comm. of Whole  
☐ Indefinitely Postponed  
☐ Other: \_\_\_  
2/16 Read Second Time  
☐ Amended  
☒ Do Pass  
☐ Do Not Pass  
☐ Accelerated to 3rd Rdg.  
2/17 Read Third Time  
☒ Amended  
☒ Passed ☐ Failed  
Aye 27 No 3 Ex 0 Ab 0  
☐ Held for Reconsideration  
1 Motion to Reconsider  
☐ Passed ☐ Failed  
Aye \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Ex \_\_\_ Ab \_\_\_  
1 Third Reading Vote  
(On Reconsideration)  
☐ Passed ☐ Failed  
Aye \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Ex \_\_\_ Ab \_\_\_  
2/17 Sent to House (No Amendments)  
Sent to LSO for Engrossing  
2/17 ENGROSSED  
1 Sent to House

HOUSE ACTION ON SENATE FILE

2/18 Received. Read First Time.  
Referred to Committee No. 2  
2/20 Returned from Committee No. 2  
with Recommendation:  
☒ Do Pass; ☐ Amend & Do  
Pass; ☐ Do Not Pass;  
☐ W/O Recomm; ☐ Re-Refer to  
Committee No. \_\_\_  
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1 Returned from Committee No. \_\_\_  
with Recommendation:  
☐ Do Pass; ☐ Amend & Do  
Pass; ☐ Do Not Pass;  
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Committee No. \_\_\_  
2/25 Considered in Comm. of Whole  
☐ Amended  
☒ Recommended Do Pass  
☐ Failed Comm. of Whole  
☐ Indefinitely Postponed  
☐ Other: \_\_\_  
2/26 Read Second Time  
☐ Amended  
☒ Do Pass  
☐ Do Not Pass  
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(On Reconsideration)  
☐ Passed ☐ Failed  
Aye \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Ex \_\_\_ Ab \_\_\_  
1 Sent to Senate  
2/27 Sent for Enrolling  
SEA No. 3  
2/27 Signed by President  
3/2 Signed by Speaker  
3/3 Approved by Governor  
Chapter No. 4

54TH WYOMING STATE LEGISLATURE  
SPECIAL SESSION 1998

SENATE

SEQUENCE : 94

FEBRUARY 17 1998

BILL : SF0001

9:32 AM

AMENDMENT:

MOVED BY :

SECONDED BY:

TITLE1 :

TITLE2 :

ACTION : THIRD READING

BARTON.....	N
CAMERON.....	A
CATHCART.....	A
COE.....	A
DEVIN.....	A
ERB.....	A
GEIS.....	A
GILBERTZ.....	A
GOODENOUGH.....	N
HARRIS.....	A
HAWKS.....	A
JOB.....	A
KINNISON.....	A
KUNZ.....	A
LARSON.....	A
LAWLER.....	A
MEIER.....	A
MILLER.....	A
MOCKLER.....	A
PECK.....	A
PHILLIPS.....	A
PICARD.....	A
ROBERTS.....	A
SARCLETTI.....	A
SCHIFFER.....	A
SCOTT.....	A
TWIFORD.....	A
VINICH.....	A
ZIMMERMAN.....	N
GRIEVE/MR.PRES.	A

VOTE REQ: MAJORITY OF MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED

AYES : 27

NOES : 3

EXCUSED : 0

ABSENT : 0

CONFLICT: 0

A=AYE N=NO E=EXCUSED  
X=ABSENT C=CONFLICT

FIFTY-FOURTH WYOMING STATE LEGISLATURE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
SPECIAL SESSION  
1998

SEQUENCE : 4306

FEBRUARY 27 1998

BILL : SF0001

10:32 AM

AMENDMENT:

MOVED BY :  
TITLE1 :  
TITLE2 :  
ACTION : THIRD READING CONSENT

SECONDED BY:

ANDERSON, J.... A  
ANDERSON, R.... A  
BADGETT..... A  
BAKER..... A  
BARKER..... A  
BEBOUT..... A  
BENSEL..... A  
BERRY..... A  
BETTS..... A  
BOSWELL..... A  
BURNS..... A  
CASE..... A  
CHILDERS..... A  
DECARIA..... A  
DEEGAN..... A  
DIERCKS..... A  
ESQUIBEL..... A  
EYRE..... A  
GARCIA..... A  
HAGEMAN..... A  
HANES..... A  
HARRISON..... A  
HESSENTHALER... A  
HINES..... A  
HUCKFELDT..... A  
JOHNSON..... A  
LAW..... A  
LUTHI..... A  
MASSIE..... A  
MCGRAW..... A

MCMURTREY..... A  
MEULI..... A  
NAGEL..... A  
NICHOLAS..... A  
OSBORN..... A  
PARADY..... A  
PASENEAX..... A  
PERKINS..... A  
PHILP..... A  
RARDIN..... A  
REESE..... A  
ROBINSON..... A  
ROSE..... A  
ROSS..... A  
ROUNDS..... A  
RYCKMAN..... A  
SESSIONS..... A  
SHREVE MSPT.... A  
SIMONS..... A  
SMITH..... A  
STAFFORD..... A  
STEINBRECH..... A  
TANNER..... A  
TEMPEST..... A  
TIPTON..... A  
TOMASSI..... A  
WASSERBURGER... A  
WILLFORD..... A  
ZANETTI..... A  
HINCHEY, MR SPK A

E

VOTE REQ: MAJORITY OF MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED

AYES : 59  
NOES : 0  
EXCUSED : 1  
ABSENT : 0  
CONFLICT: 0

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AMENDMENT LIST

DATE 2-13-98 BILL NO. SF 1 Circle One: COW 2nd 3rd

SS001/A Kinnison

## THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING

## House of Representatives

Cheyenne, February 20, 1998

Mr. Speaker:

Your  
**Committee No. 2 on APPROPRIATIONS** to whom was referred  
**SF0001ENG** respectfully reports same back to the House with the  
 recommendation that it  
**DO PASS.**

	AYES	NOES	ABSENT	EXCUSED	CONFLICT
PARADY	X				
BENSEL	X				
BAKER	X				
SESSIONS	X				
TEMPEST	X				
SIMONS	X				
SMITH	X				

AYES = 7  
 NOES = 0  
 ABSENT = 0  
 EXCUSED = 0  
 CONFLICT = 0  
 TOTAL = 7



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 Chairman

BILL JACKET

## THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING

## Senate

Cheyenne, February 11, 1998

Mr. President:

Your

**Committee No. 2 on APPROPRIATIONS** to whom was referred  
**SF0001** respectfully reports same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it  
**DO PASS** with the following amendment(s): (SEE SCHEDULE A)

	AYES	NOES	ABSENT	EXCUSED	CONFLICT
GILBERTZ	X				
KINNISON	X				
HARRIS	X				
SCHIFFER	X				
VINICH	X				

AYES = 5  
 NOES = 0  
 ABSENT = 0  
 EXCUSED = 0  
 CONFLICT = 0  
 TOTAL = 5

TK/OH.....  
 Chairman

BILL JACKET

# Schedule A

SF0001SS001

1  
2 Page 1-line 13 Increase amount by "34,000".  
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4 Page 1-line 14 Increase amount by "16,000".  
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6 Page 1-line 15 Increase amount by "2,600".  
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8 Page 1-line 18 Increase amount by "13,400".  
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10 Page 2-line 1 Increase amount by "34,000".  
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12 Adjust totals accordingly. KINNISON, CHAIRMAN  
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FIFTY-FOURTH WYOMING STATE LEGISLATURE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
SPECIAL SESSION  
1998

SEQUENCE : 4299

FEBRUARY 27 1998

BILL : CONSENT LIST  
AMENDMENT:

10:28 AM

MOVED BY :  
TITLE1 : HB00147,149,157,171,180,HJ7,SF1  
TITLE2 :  
ACTION : THIRD READING CONSENT

SECONDED BY:

ANDERSON, J.... A  
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BADGETT..... A  
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Sponsored by: Management Council

## A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to an appropriation for the legislature;  
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4

5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

6

7       **Section 1.** There is appropriated from the general fund  
8 to the legislative service office the following specified  
9 amount, or as much thereof as may be necessary, to pay the  
10 costs and expenses of the fifty-fourth Wyoming legislature:

11

## 12 SALARIES

13	Legislators - Session .....	\$ 270,400
14	Session Staff .....	218,200
15	Employer Paid Benefits .....	40,100

16

## 17 TRAVEL IN STATE

18	Mileage - Session .....	26,800
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1	Per Diem - Session .....	244,200
2		
3	ANNUAL DUES	
4	Council of State Governments	
5	[0% of annual dues] .....	0
6	National Conference of State Legislatures	
7	[100% of annual dues] .....	74,040
8	The Energy Council [100% of annual dues] .....	25,000
9		
10	COMMUNICATIONS	
11	Telecommunications .....	40,000
12		
13	OFFICE SUPPLIES/PRINTING .....	115,700
14		
15		<hr/> \$1,054,440
16		

17       **Section 2.** The management council may transfer funds  
18 from one expense category to another under section 1 of this  
19 act as the activities of the legislature may require.

20  
21       **Section 3.**

22  
23       (a) There is appropriated from the general fund to the  
24 legislative service office two hundred seventy thousand  
25 dollars (\$270,000.00). These appropriations shall be used

1 exclusively to fund work regarding the legislature's school  
2 finance reform efforts in response to the 1995 Wyoming  
3 supreme court case, including but not limited to legislative  
4 committee meetings, staff support and consultants to the  
5 legislature. None of these funds shall be expended except  
6 with the approval of the management council. Unexpended  
7 funds shall revert to the general fund as soon as  
8 practicable after the convening of the 55th Wyoming  
9 legislature.

10

11 (b) There is appropriated from the general fund to the  
12 legislative service office fifty-one thousand five hundred  
13 dollars (\$51,500.00). These funds are to replace funds from  
14 the regular legislative budget which were authorized by the  
15 management council for use during the 1997 interim for  
16 school finance reform activities, including committee  
17 meetings and consultant work.

18

19 **Section 4.** There is appropriated from the general fund  
20 to the legislative service office eighty-one thousand five  
21 hundred dollars (\$81,500.00) to be used exclusively for any  
22 special session that may be called before the 1998 budget  
23 session of the legislature.

24

25 **Section 5.**

1

2       (a) 1996 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 121 increased  
3 game and fish license fees for a specified period of time.  
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5 submit legislation regarding designation of an independent  
6 entity to perform an evaluation as to whether the game and  
7 fish department achieved goals and objectives it was  
8 directed to establish under that act. This section is  
9 intended to satisfy the requirements of that legislation.

10

11       (b) There is appropriated to the legislative service  
12 office from the general fund fifty thousand dollars  
13 (\$50,000.00) to be expended solely for the purposes of this  
14 section. No expenditures from this appropriation shall be  
15 made unless approved by the management audit committee.  
16 Unexpended funds shall revert to the general fund as soon as  
17 practicable after convening of the 55th Wyoming Legislature.

18

19       (c) The management audit committee shall establish and  
20 implement a process under which it selects and contracts  
21 with an independent entity to perform an evaluation of the  
22 extent to which the game and fish department has achieved  
23 goals and objectives the department was required to  
24 establish under 1996 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 121,  
25 subject to the following:

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2           (i) The selection process will encourage, to the  
3 extent practicable, competition among entities that are:

4

5           (A) Qualified to perform an evaluation of  
6 this type by reason of training or experience;

7

8           (B) Independent in that the entities are not  
9 affiliated with Wyoming government generally or the Wyoming  
10 game and fish department specifically. For the purpose of  
11 this section, "affiliated" includes, but is not limited to  
12 Wyoming government agencies, Wyoming government employees,  
13 an entity which has a contract with Wyoming state  
14 government, an entity in which the Wyoming game and fish  
15 department is a member, and an entity whose purpose is such  
16 that the committee reasonably finds it lacks the requisite  
17 independence to conduct the evaluation.

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19           (ii) The contract will be structured so that the  
20 report shall be submitted to the legislature no later than  
21 December 1, 1998;

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23           (iii) The contract may be structured so that the  
24 entity may evaluate:

25

1 (A) The extent to which the goals and  
2 objectives established by the department as required were  
3 related to the increase in license fees authorized in the  
4 1996 legislation;

6 (B) The extent to which the goals and  
7 objectives established by the department as required were  
8 measurable;

10 (C) The extent to which the department of  
11 audit provided assistance to the game and fish department in  
12 developing the goals and objectives as required by law;

14 (D) The extent to which the goals and  
15 objectives have been achieved, and where not fully achieved,  
16 the likelihood that they will be achieved.

18           **Section 6.** This act is effective immediately upon  
19 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as  
20 provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming  
21 Constitution.

23 (END)

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**INTRODUCED**

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14	Session Staff .....	202,200
15	Employer Paid Benefits .....	37,500

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## 17 TRAVEL IN STATE

18	Mileage - Session .....	13,400
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1	Per Diem - Session .....	210,200
2		
3	ANNUAL DUES	
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23 (END)

Appropriation for legislature.

98LSO-0213.C2

FISCAL NOTE

This bill contains an appropriation of \$1,407,440 from the GENERAL FUND.

## **Budget Narrative**

### **Appropriation for 1998 Legislative Session**

Senate File 0001 (Engrossed)

#### **Background**

As you may recall, the vast majority of the Legislature's budget is contained in the appropriations bill which is considered during the General Session. The appropriations bill for the Legislature during the Budget Session is traditionally limited only to certain actual costs of the Budget Session. This year's recommendation follows that tradition and is explained below. Remember too that the Legislature operates on a legislative biennium (i.e. 2 calendar rather than fiscal years) so that each legislature sets its own budget.

#### **SALARIES**

##### **Legislators - Session**

Provides funds for legislators salaries for a 20 day session, including the three intervening weekends. Adequate funds remain from the general session for four additional days (not necessarily legislative days)

Note: Five days were carried over from the 35 day General Session, but the Sunday during the June 97 special session required a day beyond the appropriation for the special session.

##### **Session staff**

Provides funds for all session only employees (including for training, preparation and wrap up activities) for a 20 day session. Adequate funds remain for 5 additional legislative days.

#### **EMPLOYER PAID BENEFITS**

Provides funds for the employer's social security contribution for both legislators and staff and the unemployment insurance premium for session staff.

## TRAVEL IN STATE

### Mileage session

Provides funds for one round trip to the Capitol for all legislators who are not residents of Cheyenne; also provides funds for session staff who are not Cheyenne residents.

### Session per diem

Provides funds for per diem for a 20 day session, including the 3 intervening weekends, for all legislators, including one travel day both before and after each session for all legislators who are not residents of Cheyenne; also provides per diem for eligible session staff (just a couple of staff). (Again, four days in funding remain from the General Session.)

## ANNUAL DUES

Provides funds for payment of annual dues for 2 of the 3 organizations to which the Legislature belongs.

Management Council removed funding for CSG. Note that last year, the legislature paid only 1/2 the dues for CSG. The full CSG dues for this year would be \$56,700.

## COMMUNICATIONS

Telecommunications - This is for additional funds to augment the appropriation from the General Session of \$117,000.

Telecommunications bills have been extremely high. The payments for Internet access for legislators participating in the program will be about half this \$40k for the biennium; the other half is for higher costs; more phone calls due to an extremely busy interim on school finance. This includes legislators' credit card calls.

## OFFICE SUPPLIES/PRINTING

This appropriation is used primarily for printing Session Laws and the supplement pamphlets for updating the statutes after the 1998 Session (normal expenditures); this will also be used for additional photocopying costs resulting from school finance reform.

Section 2. This is standard language.



Section 3.

- (a) This appropriation is for committee meetings, consultants and additional LSO staff support for school finance reform. There will be more work done during the 1998 interim, e.g. responding to the required Department of Education recommendations in October, special education, etc.

The Select Committee approved the budget recommendation of \$127,000 for interim work and consultants and \$103,000 is for LSO staff support - total = \$230k.

- (b) This appropriation replaces the \$51,500 previously approved by the Council (November) to be expended from the regular legislative budget for extra education reform expenses during the 1997 interim leading up to the 1998 session.

This extra expenditure was due to additional committee meetings and more MAP work because work was accelerated, i.e. instead of waiting until 1999, lots of work was done for this session.

Section 4. This section is to cover costs for convening Feb 9 instead of Feb 16 - these are net of what was left over from the 1997 General Session. (Need funds for 4 days for legislators, not session staff.)

Section 5. This is the Council's response as required by law to the Game and Fish license fee bill from 96. The Management Audit Committee would oversee the process of selecting an independent consultant to perform the evaluation. (LSO will not be performing the evaluation.) The \$50,000 appropriation is just a guess. An independent consultant will not be cheap.