

Legislative Briefing					
2019 General Session of the Wyoming Legislature					
		red=dead bill green = passed both houses			
Bill Number and Title	Description	Sponsors	Position	Latest Action	Notes
<b>House Bills</b>					
<a href="#"><u>HB 34 - Nonresident tuition and fees</u></a>	Requires the University of Wyoming and community colleges to charge nonresident tuition and fees at an amount that is at least 20% higher than resident levels.	Representative(s) Henderson, Haley and Paxton and Senator(s) Boner	Monitor	<b>Died in House Education</b>	WACCT testified on the bill with general questions of concern and data for the committee, but not an official position.
<a href="#"><u>HB 38 - Per Diem Rates</u></a>	Increases legislative and Commissioner per diem rates to \$149/day	Management Council	Monitor	<b>Passed Both Houses</b>	
<a href="#"><u>HB0041 - UW board of trustees- chairman</u></a>	Changes UW Board President to "Chairman". Does not apply to the CC's.	Representative(s) Brown, Flitner, Harshman, Simpson, Sommers and Walters and Senator(s) Bebout, Landen, Nethercott and Pappas	Monitor	<b>Passed Both Houses</b>	
<a href="#"><u>HB 52 - Public works and contracts</u></a>	Requires initial furniture and moveable equipment in capital construction projects be purchased from a resident vendor	Representative(s) Sommers, Greear, Harshman, Larsen and Loucks and Senator(s) Bebout, Driskill and Kinskey	Monitor	<b>Passed Both Houses</b>	
<a href="#"><u>HB0058 - Sunset date-Wyoming investment in nursing program</u></a>	Extends the sunset date of the Wyoming investment in nursing program from 2020 to 2030. <b>The sunset date was removed on 2nd reading in the House.</b>	Representative(s) Henderson, Barlow and Wilson and Senator(s) Scott	Support	<b>Passed both Houses</b>	

<a href="#"><u>HB 78 - Major maintenance funding</u></a>	Changes distribution of funding to quarterly rather than annually, increases college reserves to 15% from 8%. <b>Amended on 2nd reading:</b> <i>"No state funds shall be used for the maintaining, operating or equipping of any capital construction project in excess of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) one million five hundred thousand (\$1,500,000.00) which was not approved by the commission and</i>	Joint Appropriations Committee	Support	<b>Passed both houses</b>	Result of JAC interim discussions.
<a href="#"><u>HB0090 - Community college police officer retirement</u></a>	Provides for community college police officer participation in the law enforcement plan under the Wyoming Retirement Act.	Representative(s) Pownall, Barlow and Pelkey and Senator(s) Nethercott and Von Flatern	Monitor	<b>Passed Both Houses</b>	Currently, community colleges employ eight POST-certified security officers at a total annual salary of approximately \$345,000. Based on current and future contribution rates for both plans, the LEP contribution costs would be slightly higher than the PEP for FY2020 but would be slightly lower in FY2021 and FY2022. This condition is the result of gradual contribution rate increases authorized by 2018 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 119 for the PEP.
<a href="#"><u>HB 117 - College entrance exam-written component</u></a>	Amends the minimum test requirements of a college entrance exam selected by the state superintendent to swap writing for science.	Representative(s) Freeman, Brown, Haley, Paxton, Piiparinen and Sommers and Senator(s) Coe, Kost, Pappas and Schuler	Monitor	<b>Failed Senate 3rd reading</b>	

<a href="#"><u>HB 132 - Hathaway scholarships- award increase</u></a>	Increases the amount of Hathaway scholarship awards.	Representative(s) Harshman, Connolly, Piiparinen and Sommers and Senator(s) Anselmi-Dalton, Baldwin, Coe, Landen, Pappas, Rothfuss, Schuler and Wasserburger	Monitor	<b>Failed Senate 3rd reading</b>	
<a href="#"><u>HB 133 - Hathaway expand Wyoming scholarships</u></a>	Allows two (2) students a year from each state contiguous to Wyoming may be awarded a Hathaway expand Wyoming scholarship.	Representative(s) Harshman, Brown and Paxton and Senator(s) Anderson, Anselmi-Dalton, Boner, Pappas and Rothfuss	Monitor	<b>Passed Both Houses</b>	
<a href="#"><u>HB 137 - Hathaway eligibility requirements</u></a>	Ends the current Hathaway student success curriculum in school year 21-22 and requires an interim study of the entire program.	Representative(s) Sommers, Lindholm, Northrup and Paxton and Senator(s) Driskill, Kost and Wasserburger	Monitor	<b>Was not considered in COW in the House.</b>	
<a href="#"><u>HB 183 - Repeal gun free zones and preemption amendments-2</u></a>	repealing gun free zones; providing for the carrying of concealed weapons as specified; clarifying that only the state legislature may regulate firearms, weapons and ammunition as specified; defining a term	Representative(s) Salazar, Blackburn, Brown, Burkhart, Clausen, Clem, Edwards, Eklund, Eyre, Gray, Hallinan, Henderson, Jennings, Laursen, Lindholm, Loucks, Miller, Olsen, Piiparinen, Stith, Styvar, Tass, Washut and Winter and Senator(s) Agar, Biteman, Boner, Bouchard, Hicks, Hutchings, James, Kinskey and Steinmetz	Oppose	<b>Recall from committee failed</b>	
<a href="#"><u>HB 193 - Wyoming career technical pathway workforce strategy</u></a>	creating the Wyoming career technical pathway trust fund; authorizing funding for career technical training, internships, opportunities and services	Representative(s) Henderson, Harshman and Northrup and Senator(s) Kost and Nethercott	Support	<b>On general file in the House</b>	

<a href="#">HB 203 - Community colleges-safety and security</a>	<p>There is appropriated from the general fund to the community college commission six million dollars (\$6,000,000.00) for safety and security improvements to the campuses of the seven (7) Wyoming community colleges. This appropriation shall be for the period beginning with the effective date of this act and ending June 30, 2026.</p>	<p>Representative(s) Northrup, Brown, Freeman and Paxton and Senator(s) Coe, Ellis, Kost, Landen and Nethercott</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p><b>On House General file - appropriation was stripped from \$6M to \$500,000, but the appropriation was put back in on the floor. Failed 3rd reading vote 17-42-1</b></p>	
<a href="#">HB 204 - Common college transcript-implementation</a>	<p>relating to community colleges and the University of Wyoming; establishing requirements for the community college commission's common college transcript system; authorizing an at-will position; providing appropriations - implementation and appropriations for HEA 47 from last year.</p>	<p>Representative(s) Northrup, Brown, Freeman and Harshman and Senator(s) Anselmi-Dalton, Coe, Ellis and Wasserburger</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p><b>Will be on 3rd reading in the Senate on 2/22. There may be an amendment to extend the deadline for implementation in HEA 47 on 3rd reading</b></p>	<p>The appropriation for the positions was stripped in the House. It now only includes the one time costs for software. The Senate Approps Committee approved the smaller amount immediately, however delayed appropriation of the larger amount.</p>
<a href="#">HB 250 - Community colleges-baccalaureate degree programs</a>	<p>authorizing community colleges to confer baccalaureate degrees; providing for community college commission approval of a limited number of baccalaureate degree programs as specified; establishing a time-limited matching funds program (\$1M) to create community college baccalaureate degree programs.</p>	<p>Representative(s) MacGuire, Crank, Hallinan, Henderson, Larsen, Nicholas, Paxton, Pownall and Styvar and Senator(s) Anderson, Nethercott and Von Flatern</p>	<p>Monitor</p>	<p><b>Failed house education</b></p>	

<a href="#">HB 254 - Hathaway scholarship award petition</a>	Allows students who maintain a 3.75 GPA on 2 consecutive semesters to petition WDE for the next highest award	Representative(s) Freeman, Piiparinen and Sweeney and Senator(s) Coe and Kost	Monitor	<b>Failed 3rd reading in the House 16-43-1</b>	
<a href="#">HB 263 - Postsecondary education and economic development</a>	There is a substitute bill that proposes a pilot program for each CC to confer an applied BA program.	Representative(s) Harshman and Simpson and Senator(s) Dockstader, Driskill and Pappas	Amend	<b>Died in the Senate</b>	
<a href="#">HB 304 - Community colleges-degree programs</a>	Much like SF111	Representative(s) Nicholas, Crank, Flitner, Greear, MacGuire and Paxton and Senator(s) Anderson and Landen	Monitor	<b>was not considered in COW</b>	
<a href="#">HB 310 - Wyoming's Tomorrow</a>	providing for a study to create a grant program to make two years of education at Wyoming community colleges and the University of Wyoming as free as possible	Representative(s) Harshman, Connolly and Paxton and Senator(s) Kost and Wasserburger	Monitor	<b>Passed 2nd reading in the Senate on 2/21</b>	
<a href="#">HJR 6 - Legislative sessions</a>	amend the Wyoming Constitution by removing distinctions between legislative general and budget sessions including repealing the introductory vote requirement for bills in a legislative budget session and making conforming amendments	Representative(s) Harshman, Greear, Newsome, Sommers and Zwonitzer and Senator(s) Pappas, Perkins, Rothfuss, Schuler, Von Flatern and Wasserburger	Monitor	<b>Failed in the Senate</b>	
<b>Senate Files</b>					
<a href="#">SF 11 - Budget submission deadline</a>	Changes the date by which the Governor must submit his budget - December 1 to the third Monday in November	Joint Appropriations Committee	Monitor	<b>Passed both houses</b>	Stems from the work of the Joint Committee this interim.
<a href="#">SF0034 - Hathaway Eligibility Act</a>	Repeals a provision excluding certain noncitizens from Hathaway scholarship eligibility.	Senator(s) Gierau and Anselmi-Dalton	Monitor	<b>no report before deadline</b>	

<a href="#">SF0043 - Hathaway scholarship eligibility</a>	Modifies the Hathaway curriculum to allow for CTE courses.	Joint Education Interim Committee	General Support	<b>Passed Both Houses</b>	The bill is the same version that failed last year due to lack of timing. The supporters of the bill have significant amendments to make the bill better.
<a href="#">SF 53 - Government organizations - labor organizations</a>	Prohibits governmental entities from including specified terms related to labor organization agreements in construction related contracts and grants.	Senator(s) Anderson, Boner, Driskill and Kinskey and Representative(s) Clausen, Lindholm, Pownall and Walters	Monitor	<b>no report before deadline</b>	
<a href="#">SF 57 - Public records</a>	Requires state agencies to have a designated public records person.	Joint Corporations, Elections & Political Subdivisions Interim Committee	Monitor	<b>In conference committee</b>	
<a href="#">SF 74 - Professional services procurement</a>	Requires Wyoming residency requirements related to the procurement of professional architectural, engineering and land surveying services. <b>Was amended to include the community colleges.</b>	Senator(s) Case, Kinskey and Pappas and Representative(s) Loucks and Sommers	Monitor	<b>Passed 2nd reading in the Senate on 2/21</b>	Senator Case brought the bill in years' past.
<a href="#">SF 75 - Repeal gun free zones and preemption amendments</a>	Repeals gun free zones; provides for the carrying of concealed weapons in the following locations: any public school, college, or professional athletic event; any public elementary or secondary school facility; any public college or university; clarifying that only the state legislature may regulate firearms, weapons and ammunition.	Senator(s) Bouchard, Agar, Bebout, Biteman, Boner, Case, Dockstader, Driskill, Hicks, Hutchings, James, Kinskey and Steinmetz and Representative(s) Blackburn, Brown, Burkhart, Clausen, Clem, Edwards, Gray, Hunt, Jennings, Laursen, Lindholm, Loucks, Miller, Olsen, Piiparinen, Pownall, Salazar, Stith, Styvar, Tass, Washut, Western and Winter	Oppose	<b>Died in Senate Judiciary 1/23. WACCT testified against it.</b>	
<a href="#">SF 91 - Common college application</a>	requiring the community college commission to create a common admission application system and application process	Senator(s) Wasserburger and Kost and Representative(s) Harshman and Sommers	Monitor	<b>The bill was withdrawn by the sponsor</b>	

<a href="#">SF 103 - State capital construction</a>	Expands the duties of the School Facilities Select Committee to include other state capital construction and renames the Committee to the Select Committee on State Capital Construction	Senator(s) Perkins, Hicks, Landen, Moniz and Schuler and Representative(s) Kirkbride, Nicholas, Obermueller, Stith, Sweeney and Walters	Monitor	<b>Passed the Senate and in on COW in the House.</b>	
<a href="#">SF 109 - Educational attainment executive council</a>	Continues the work of the educational attainment executive council, created by executive order 2018-4. The council has 15 members.	Senator(s) Wasserburger	Support	<b>Passed the Senate and is on COW in the House.</b>	
<a href="#">SF111 - Community colleges-bachelor of applied science programs</a>	Authorizes academic programs at the community colleges; providing for community college commission approval of the baccalaureate degree programs.	Senator(s) Nethercott, Agar, Anselmi-Dalton, Bebout, Biteman, Coe, Dockstader, Driskill, Hicks, James, Kinskey, Landen, Pappas, Perkins, Schuler and Wasserburger and Representative(s) Blake, Brown, Burkhart, Burlingame, Clausen, Clem, Eklund, Eyre, Gray, Harshman, Henderson, Kirkbride, Lindholm, Loucks, MacGuire, Miller, Newsome, Northrup, Obermueller, Olsen, Paxton, Piiparinen, Pownall, Salazar, Stith, Styvar, Sweeney, Walters, Western and Zwonitzer	Support	<b>Passed the Senate and is on COW in the House.</b>	
<a href="#">SF 162 - State Funded Capital Construction</a>	Appropriates dollars for state-funded capital construction (community colleges)	Joint Appropriations Committee	Monitor /Support	<b>failed 3rd reading in the Senate 30-0.</b>	
<a href="#">SJR 5 - Homeowners bill of rights</a>	amend the Wyoming Constitution to require voter approval before any mill levy, property tax assessment percentage, tax on real estate transactions or tax on real estate services can be imposed or increased.	Senator(s) Bouchard, Biteman, Boner and James and Representative(s) Duncan, Henderson and Miller	Monitor	<b>Postponed indefinitely</b>	