

Labor, Health & Social Services

Standard Budget: \$50,000.00

Priority #: 1 Aging.

The Committee will examine services and options to address the challenges facing the growing aging population in Wyoming. Among other issues, the Committee intends to consider long-term care costs, options for keeping seniors in their homes, availability of beds in care facilities, reimbursement rate rebasing and potential updates to the nursing home administrator practice act, W.S. 33-22-101 through 110.

Priority #: 2 Workforce and Licensing.

The Committee will evaluate workforce needs and educational programs for the behavioral health and long-term care workforces, healthcare provider qualifications transparency, pharmacy services and providers and examine workers' compensation coverage. The Committee will also review youth labor and work-based learning opportunities and evaluate the legality of employer vaccination requirements.

Priority #: 3 Mental Health and Substance Abuse.

The Committee will review 2021 HB0038 (Community behavioral health-priority populations) and the funding and structure of community behavioral health services, receive an update on the state suicide hotline and consider pursuing mental health waiver.

Priority #: 4 Costs of Healthcare and Insurance.

The Committee will follow up on recommendations from the Governor's health care task force and on the employee group insurance bundling study, evaluate pharmacy benefit manager payment structures and other ways to address high healthcare costs.

Priority #: 5 Review of Safety Net Programs.

The Committee will review the funding changes in Department of Health, Department of Family Services, and other agencies' safety net programs to evaluate the cumulative effects of these changes, including potential impacts on maintenance of effort requirements.

Priority #: 6 Responses to Federal Actions, COVID-19 Issues, Court Decisions, Past Legislation and Reports from State Agencies.

The Committee will consider and review relevant court decisions and state responses to federal actions specific to the Committee's subject matter jurisdiction, issues related to the COVID-19 pandemic and the state's response and review recently adopted state legislation, and receive required reports from state agencies.

Judiciary

Standard Budget: \$47,000.00

Priority #: 1 Review of Wyoming's Juvenile Justice System.

The Committee will review the current Juvenile Justice Act and consider legislative changes regarding state expenditures, confinement and removal of juveniles, jurisdiction, statewide data collection, and any other area that the Committee identifies.

Priority #: 2 Title 25 Review.

The Committee will review the provisions related to involuntary hospitalizations emergency detentions in Title 25 to explore possible efficiencies and necessary revisions to improve the detention and hospitalization process, including reducing expenditures for detentions and hospitalizations.

Priority #: 3 Agency Reports and Review of Wyoming Supreme Court Opinions.

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

Priority #: 4 Electronic Filing and Electronic Records in Courts.

The Committee will review and discuss electronic filing and electronic records in courts.

Priority #: 5 Review of Non-Compete Clauses.

The Committee will review and discuss common law contracts and non-compete clauses.

Priority #: 6 Review of the Unified Court System Study.

The Committee will undertake a comprehensive review of the Unified Court System Study.

Priority #: 7 Bias Crime Reporting Requirements.

The Committee will review and discuss bias-crime reporting requirements.

Appropriations

Standard Budget: \$60,000.00

Priority #: 1 American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act Funds.

The Committee will consider and develop legislation appropriating (a) unexpended, unobligated funds from the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act and (b) unexpended, unobligated funds from the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act. With respect to federal funds under the ARP Act, the Committee will develop legislation appropriating state fiscal relief funds anticipated in the amount of \$1.075 billion and capital construction funding in the anticipated amount of \$109.6 million. In developing these recommendations, the Committee will prioritize 2021 HB 10, COVID-19 large business relief program; SF 50, COVID-19 business relief programs agriculture; HB 197, Connect Wyoming program-federal funding; SF 58, Wyoming investment in nursing funding; and HB 121, State funded capital construction, if enacted into law. The Committee anticipates reviewing qualifying expenditures of funds including, but not limited to, responses to the public health emergency, assistance to businesses, assistance to essential workers, provision of government services, investments in water, sewer or broadband infrastructure and capital construction. The Committee will also monitor ARP funds distributed to local governments, K-12 school districts and higher education institutions. Finally, the Committee may consider opportunities for investment and appropriation of state funds as may be appropriate for a future Special Session.

Priority #: 2 Enterprise Technology Services (ETS).

The Committee will continue its systematic and comprehensive review of the structure, delivery of specialized applications and support services by ETS, cost, and prioritization of information technology (IT) budget requests to provide solutions to state agencies' IT needs. The Committee will also review the processes and decisions of ETS and state agencies that lead to the evaluation and justification for proposed IT projects, expenses, funding options, and prioritization and has initiated a series of questions with ETS to follow up on the 2020 contract IT evaluation and implementation of identified recommendations. To the extent possible, the Committee will encourage and provide legislative support for ETS to produce solutions meeting the demands of various state agencies in addition to implementing large, integrated and complex IT projects efficiently (e.g., Revenue Information System (RIS) for the Wyoming Department of Transportation, EPICS for the Department of Family Services (DFS); WyCAPs for DFS; and Offender Case Management System for the Department of Corrections (DOC)). Finally, the Committee intends to examine the need for, and efficient implementation of, the RIS system from multiple perspectives. This topic may result in legislation or revisions to appropriations. The Committee will send any legislation developed on this topic to the Management Audit Committee for review.

Priority #: 3 Public Works Contracting.

In light of the failure of 2021 SF 6, Public works contracting requirements-amendments, the Committee will study pre-qualification of contractors on public works projects, consider federal acquisition regulations regarding unbalanced bids and schedules of values. The Committee will consider uniform prequalification requirements prohibiting unbalanced bidding and schedule of values examining sole source supplier clauses. This topic builds upon the work of the Committee during the 2019 interim, i.e.,

2020 HB 51, Professional services procurement-amendments and 2020 HB 52, Public works and contracts. The Committee intends to develop a small working group of members who have expertise in this area to review the relevant information and develop recommendations for the Committee's consideration. The topic is likely to result in legislation.

Priority #: 4 Fire A Pension Plan.

The Committee will review the soundness of the Fire A Pension Plan and evaluate alternatives and potential resolutions for continued viability of the plan. In its review, the Committee shall avoid taking any action that would involve or otherwise jeopardize the State's position in any legal action. The topic may result in legislation.

Priority #: 5 Unfunded State Employee Leave Liabilities and Vacancy Savings.

The Committee will review (i) unfunded leave liabilities and, separately, (ii) the expenditure of vacancy savings, or unexpended personnel appropriations. Specific items of study will include an overview of the state's approach to addressing unfunded state employee vacation and sick leave liabilities. The Committee will consider various funding strategies and advantages and barriers of those strategies. The Committee will also consider the uses of vacancy savings. In completing this review, the Committee will request information from the Department of Administration and Information, Human Resources Division, and the State Budget Department on (a) unfunded leave liabilities; (b) expenditure of vacancy savings; and (c) a short tutorial on cost allocation. This topic may result in legislation.

Priority #: 6 Fiscal Data Book.

The Committee will continue its review of the Legislative Service Office (LSO) Data Book and updated website to further improve the presentation of state fiscal conditions and user interaction with state fiscal data through a working group.

Priority #: 7 Statutory Responsibilities and Receipt of Reports.

The Committee will receive dozens of reports required by legislation from state agencies, as provided by law. In particular, the Committee will receive and provide a recommendation on the K-12 external cost adjustment (ECA) in accordance with W.S. 21-13-309(o).

Revenue

Standard Budget: \$50,000.00

Priority #: 1 Medicaid Expansion.

The Committee will consider issues related to Medicaid expansion in Wyoming. The review will include potential costs and benefits to Wyoming if Medicaid expansion were adopted. The committee will have this topic ready for the July special session.

Priority #: 2 Distribution of Existing Revenue Streams.

Following statutory directives, the Committee will review all existing state revenue streams and the distribution of that revenue including revenue from taxes and revenue dedicated for highway funding. This topic will include a report as required under W.S. 28-1-118 on the distribution formulae for federal mineral royalties, severance taxes and inheritance taxes.

Priority #: 3 Review of Tax Exemptions.

The Committee will review tax exemptions on sales and use taxes and other taxes in Wyoming. This topic could include the removal of specified exemptions or the implementation of sunset dates on exemptions to require further legislative action to retain certain exemptions. This topic could also include consideration of extending the sales tax to items that are not currently taxed including taxation of sales of services and purchases of digital streaming subscriptions.

Priority #: 4 Energy and Public Utilities Taxes.

This topic will review how utility and other electrical energy facilities are taxed in Wyoming and other states. The Committee may consider changes and additions to Wyoming's taxes. The Committee will consider issues related to taxes on Wind and Solar facilities. This topic will include a review of property taxes assessed on Wind and Solar Facilities and Department of Revenue practices. This topic will include consideration of 2021 Senate File 0069 and other bills which were not enacted.

Priority #: 5 Industrial Revenue Bonds.

The Committee will consider how industrial revenue bonds could be implemented in Wyoming. This topic will include a review of how industrial revenue bonds are implemented in other states along with tax incentives and their role in recruitment of new businesses to Wyoming.

Priority #: 6 Corporate Income Tax/Gross Receipts Tax.

The committee will consider how a new tax could be structured to fairly recover taxes from undertaxed entities. The Committee will review issues related to the imposition of income taxes including a tax on unearned income. This topic will include a review of other states that impose income taxes. This topic will also include a review of issues related to a corporate income tax and taxes on activities conducted in Wyoming that are paid to other states.

Priority #: 7 Revenue Recovery Through Workforce Protection.

The Committee will consider the elimination of certain sales tax exemptions and other state provided benefits to companies that do not hire Wyoming workers.

Priority #: 8 Property Taxes and Taxes on Agricultural Land and Business Personal Property.

The Committee will undertake a review of property taxation including how property taxes are assessed and appealed. This topic will include educational and other consideration of implementing a cap on property tax increases. This topic will also include a review of how property tax revenues are distributed. The Committee will review 2009 SF0144 related to information provided to the taxpayer on the property assessment. The Committee will review issues related to personal property taxation and issues with qualification of property as agricultural land.

Priority #: 9 Educational Topics with Possible Action Items TBD.

Local Government Revenue: This topic will include a review of the municipal optional sales tax as enacted in 2020 HB0047 including the potential for expanding the area where the tax could be implemented. The Committee will also review the amount of revenue that is allocated to local governments through the sales tax and other tax allocations.

Usage Tax Proposed by Senator James: Restructuring of taxes on exported energy to include users outside of Wyoming.

Tobacco Tax Equivalence: The Committee will consider issues related to the taxation of tobacco products delivered to the Wind River Reservation and how to ensure tobacco products are taxed equivalently at the wholesale level regardless of their destination.

Education

Standard Budget: \$50,000.00

Priority #: 1 Early Childhood Literacy and Kindergarten Readiness and Retention.

Committee will study the reading assessment and intervention program under W.S. 21-3-401, the impacts and results of the program, and the long-term impacts of students obtaining reading proficiency by grade three (3). The Committee also intends to develop an understanding of how well students are prepared for kindergarten. The topic is likely to result in legislation.

Priority #: 2 K-12 Education Program and School Finance.

The Committee will continue its comprehensive review of the K-12 education program from the 2020 interim, including the common core of knowledge and skills, student content and performance standards, virtual and remote learning, graduation standards, district assessment systems, and the State Board of Education's continued work on the "profile of a graduate." The Committee will explore the meaning of a "thorough and efficient system of public schools" and review potential efficiencies that may be achieved. The Committee will also review the process used during the most recent recalibration of the education resource block grant model and potential alternative approaches and improvements for future recalibration efforts. The Committee will review information on how school finance operations and capital construction are funded and identify potential solutions to the estimated structural funding gap, including monitoring potential uses of funding from the federal American Rescue Plan Act. The Committee will make its recommendation to the Joint Appropriations Committee on an external cost adjustment to the education resource block grant model pursuant to W.S. 21-13-309(u). The topic is likely to result in legislation.

Priority #: 3 Charter Schools.

The Committee will comprehensively review charter school laws in Wyoming and consider and develop necessary legislation. The topic would also consider a review of any laws amended and created under 2021 Senate File 130 Charter Schools. The topic is likely to result in legislation.

Priority #: 4 Performance of Minority and At-Risk Students.

The Committee will also focus on the disparities between minority and at-risk populations in a variety of ways in the K-12 education system and identify potential barriers and solutions to improve the performance of minority students. The Committee will the review K-12 absenteeism and truancy laws of Wyoming. This topic would continue to build upon the work of 2021 Senate File 68 – Absenteeism in public schools to review current responsibilities for enforcing attendance requirements among school districts, district attorneys, parents and others, including the Wind River Tribal Court system when appropriate. The topic is likely to result in legislation.

Priority #: 5 Higher Education.

The Committee will continue its study regarding the governance of the University of Wyoming authorized by 2020 Senate File 1, Section 337 (Budget Bill). No funding was authorized for the study, so it is the intent of the Committee to continue to review best practices of other land grant institutions of higher education to see where improvement may be made. The Committee will also study the higher education scholarship programs, including the Wyoming Works program and any subsequent workforce training program including those programs included in 2021 SF 0127 and 2021 HB 0165. The Committee would also request to study and review community college funding options. The Committee will examine the work of the Select Committee on Community College Funding. The Management Council also clarified the Joint Education Interim Committee is the home committee for all public institutions of higher education. The topic may result in legislation.

Agriculture, State and Public Lands & Water Resources

Standard Budget: \$41,000.00

Priority #: 1 Agriculture Authority.

The Committee would like to review 2021 SF0122, Wyoming Agriculture Authority, and further consider reorganization of agricultural related state agencies and roles. The Committee plans to discuss an agriculture authority as a means for diversification and expansion of the Wyoming economy and its agriculture industry and to coordinate strategies with the Department of Agriculture to improve agricultural processing facilities and capabilities. The Committee would like to receive testimony regarding powers, duties and budget and spending authorization of a proposed agriculture authority.

Priority #: 2 Predator Management.

The Committee would like to receive testimony from involved stakeholders, including the Wyoming Department of Agriculture, Wyoming Game and Fish Department, county predator boards, and the USDA. The Committee could consider information related to:

- ~ Examining the current predator management program in Wyoming and states' rights with regard to predator management control and determining whether changes may be necessary for a comprehensive approach.
- ~ Developing a comprehensive predator control program led by the Wyoming Department of Agriculture in cooperation with local predator boards.
- ~ Placing the state in a strong leadership role in predator control and to guide the state-federal-local partnership by providing proactive state level management of decisions.

Priority #: 3 Wild Horse Trespassing.

The Committee would like to review pertinent existing statutes concerning wild, feral and stray horses and to consider defining the authority of private landowners, grazing lessees and the Office of State Lands and Investments regarding wild, feral and stray horses trespassing on private and state lands.

Priority #: 4 State Rights-Water Rights and Federal Lands.

The Committee will consider livestock water rights on federal lands and review 2021 SF0135, Water rights-livestock on federal land.

Priority #: 5 Perfecting Land Exchanges with Federal Government.

The Committee will consider how to perfect land exchanges between the state and federal government. The Committee would look specifically at deriving the maximum amount of revenue for school trust lands and may consider land leases and vacant state lands.

Priority #: 6 Reports from Agencies, State and Local Entities.

The Committee would like to receive and consider reports from agencies under Committee jurisdiction, including:

- ~ Wyoming Department of Agriculture
- ~ Wyoming State Fair
- ~ Office of State Lands and Investments
- ~ Wyoming Livestock Board
- ~ University of Wyoming College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

Travel, Recreation, Wildlife & Cultural Resources

Standard Budget: \$46,000.00

Priority #: 1 Wyoming Gaming Commission.

The Committee will receive updates on the Wyoming gaming commission's new role in regulating online sports wagering as a result of 2021 HEA 50, Online sports wagering (2021 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 100). This topic may result in legislation.

Priority #: 2 Wyoming State Parks and Cultural Resources.

The Committee will examine possible statutory changes to provide for resident preference in booking State park campsites, the feasibility of transferring state owned parks back to cities and towns, and explore expanding outdoor recreation opportunities throughout the state, including the Grayrocks Reservoir Recreation Site, the Sutton Parcel and potentially relevant federal lands currently managed by the State through a change in management structure or ownership. The Committee will continue receive updates regarding Hot Springs State Park, primarily focused on management and concessionaires, consider the potential purchase of the Motorized Trails building in Lander, the possible expansion of the State Museum and will receive information on the designation of the Bozeman Trail as a National Historic Trail. Lastly, the Committee will continue to explore agency funding options with the goal of shifting the budget of the Outdoor Recreation Office and Division of State Parks off of the state general fund.

Priority #: 3 Wyoming Game and Fish Department.

The Committee will examine and discuss possible statutory changes to address aquatic invasive species including avenues for emergency funding and zebra mussel mitigation and imposition of strict liability for person transporting aquatic invasive species into the state. The Committee will also receive updates on the health of state fish hatcheries, game carcass disposal efforts, trophy animal predation reimbursement and elk feedgrounds management. The Committee also plans to receive updates on the work of the Wyoming Wildlife Taskforce and will work with the task force on legislative solutions related to hunting and sportsman access, opportunity and other issues identified through the work of the task force.

Priority #: 4 Wyoming Office of Tourism.

The Committee will receive updates on the Office of Tourism's efforts to promote the state of Wyoming both in-state, out-of-state and abroad, their collaborative work with other agencies, and how their expenditures support the goal of promoting Wyoming as a preeminent tourism destination.

Priority #: 5 Wyoming Search and Rescue.

Wyoming search and rescue personnel conduct on average more than 300 operations annually. The Committee will review and discuss search and rescue operations throughout the state, the associated funding and explore other potential funding opportunities for this critical service.

Corporations, Elections & Political Subdivisions

Standard Budget: \$45,000.00

Priority #: 1 Redistricting of the Wyoming Legislature.

The committee is tasked with coordinating and managing the redistricting of the Wyoming Legislature following the 2020 United States Census Bureau data for Wyoming. To accomplish this task, the committee will:

- 1) Manage LSO redistricting staff;
- 2) Provide abundant opportunity for legislator and public input on redistricting;
- 3) Develop a database of proposed alternative redistricting plans which the public and election officials would have ample opportunity to review and comment upon; and
- 4) Prepare a single redistricting bill for introduction in the 2022 legislative session which would be in a format that facilitated adoption by amendment of an alternative redistricting plan.

To accomplish these goals, the committee will follow two tracks. The full committee will meet four or five times during the interim for two day meetings. These meetings are tentatively scheduled for February, April/May, June/July, October/November and December/early January 2022. One day of each full committee meeting will be devoted to redistricting, including receiving public comment and developing draft plans.

Prior to March 31, 2021 the committee shall report to Management Council all discussions, considerations and actions it took at its February meeting related to legislative redistricting, including but not limited to proposed meeting schedule, adoption of redistricting principles and plan for initiating the committee's work.

The committee will also hold eight to twelve regional meetings throughout the state in the summer months to receive public comment on redistricting. These regional meetings will be attended by one or both of the committee chairman, and by any committee member who wishes to attend. It will be left to the discretion of Management Council whether to provide salary, travel and per diem for local legislators who attend a regional meeting.

All redistricting plans which a committee member or other legislator submits for development must receive initial approval from the committee chairmen.

Priority #: 2 Elections.

The Committee may consider a variety of topics on the governance of elections, including the establishment of a primary election runoff process or other alternative election method, clarifying campaign finance rules for organizations and political action committees, modifying absentee polling place timeframes and publication requirements relating to elections. The Committee may draft and sponsor related legislation as it deems prudent.

Priority #: 3 Insurance.

The Committee may consider two items on the governance of insurance: 1) modernization of producer licensing statutes and 2) revising the reinsurance statutes to allow operation of additional reinsurers. The Committee may draft and sponsor legislation as it deems prudent regarding these two items.

Priority #: 4 Special Districts & Local Governments.

The Committee will continue its consideration of matters relating to local governments and special districts. The committee will consider a variety of topics on special districts, including transfer of water and sewer districts to municipalities (see 2021 House Bill 72), creation of community development districts, art districts, cultural districts and tourism districts, and funding of special districts. The Committee may draft and sponsor related legislation as it deems prudent.

Transportation, Highways & Military Affairs

Standard Budget: \$50,000.00

Priority #: 1 Military Affairs.

Several military related topics have been brought to the Committee's attention that it would like to study and discuss, including:

- Providing a buffer area surrounding the Oregon Trail Veteran's Cemetery to protect the location from encroachment.
- Assessing options for providing state support for recruitment and retention programs for Wyoming National Guard members.
- Examining necessary changes or additions to law to allow for the temporary delegation of parental authority for military parents that must relocate due to military orders, often on short notice. Several other states allow for a temporary delegation of parental authority, which may provide a basis to start review.

Priority #: 2 Transportation and Highways.

Several transportation and highway-related topics have been brought to the Committee's attention that it would like to study and discuss, including:

- Reviewing issues related to I-80, including maintenance, repair and closures, and determining means of funding I-80 and other highways, bridges, and all transportation infrastructure. The Committee intends to receive testimony and presentations from Wyoming Department of Transportation (WYDOT) regarding its budget and finances, general needs, maintenance and improvements and intends to receive testimony from users. The Committee also plans to conduct a comprehensive review of WYDOT fees.
- Assessing necessary statutory changes to regulate non-traditional vehicles such as autonomous vehicles, electric vehicles, and alternative fuel vehicles.
- Providing clarity to county road construction and maintenance funds, including W.S. 24-2-110.
- Considering WYDOT's relationships, contracting and coordination with construction and other companies.

Priority #: 3 Safety.

Several safety related topics have been brought to the Committee's attention that it would like to study and discuss, including:

- Evaluating options for road maintenance and alternate routes and reviewing aquifers and other structures near interstates related to transportation of hazardous materials by interstate and rail.
- Considering options for long term funding for WyoLink. The Committee anticipates working with the Wyoming County Commissioner's Association, as they volunteered to work with stakeholders to bring solutions to the Committee.
- Receiving testimony and assessing necessary statutory changes to allow for telecommunicator CPR or other health emergencies.

Priority #: 4 Reports from Agencies, State and Local Entities and Statute Review.

The Committee receives reports from agencies, including WYDOT and the Military Department, and reports may include review and updating of statutes relevant to their topic area. The Committee expects WYDOT reporting topics will include a maintenance study, highway safety and crashes and the replacement of the statewide computer information system (Transportation Information System—TIS). The Committee anticipates that Military Department reporting topics will include troop deployments and readiness, grazing updates, updates on sexual harassment claims and lawsuits, and the status of veterans' care facilities planning and construction.

Minerals, Business & Economic Development

Standard Budget: \$46,000.00

Priority #: 1 Wyoming Business Council Review.

The Committee will comprehensively review the Wyoming Business Council and its purposes, programs, functions, and operations. The Committee may develop and consider legislation to streamline, bolster, and improve the Council's programs and functions.

Priority #: 2 Bonding Issues.

The Committee will review and consider legislation pertaining to bonding issues associated with reclamation bonds for mines and with bonds for the Wyoming Energy Authority.

Priority #: 3 Reliability and Coal Generation Issues.

The Committee will review issues pertaining to the reliability of electricity generation in Wyoming, including the need for the continued use of coal in electricity generation.

Priority #: 4 Carbon Offset System.

The Committee will receive information concerning carbon offsets and explore the feasibility of implementing a carbon offset system in Wyoming.

Priority #: 5 Agency Reports.

The Committee will receive reports from state agencies as required by legislation and will consider and sponsor necessary legislation identified after reviewing the reports.

Management Council

Standard Budget: \$30,000.00

Select Committee on Legislative Facilities, Technology and Process

Standard Budget: \$10,000.00

Priority #: 1 General Responsibilities Relating to Legislative Technology.

The Select Committee will review the Wyoming Legislature's use of technology, including but not limited to the Legislature's use of video conferencing and remote public testimony. The Select Committee will review and update, as necessary, the Legislature's current information strategy to guide technology development for the legislative branch.

Priority #: 2 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.

Priority #: 3 Website Enhancements.

The Select Committee wishes to continue development of the Legislature's Website, including additional features and enhancements to improve the public's access to the legislative process.

Priority #: 4 Legislator Emails.

The Select Committee will study and propose to Management Council strategies for organizing legislator's email accounts for better functionality.

Select Committee on Tribal Relations

Standard Budget: \$15,000.00

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. This includes encouraging cooperation among agencies, pursuing opportunities for economic growth, and facilitating discussions regarding nondiscrimination and wellbeing for citizens on the Reservation and in neighboring communities. Specific topics to be discussed include:

- o Developments of the Wind River Inter-Tribal Council and information from each Tribe's Business Council and the State Tribal Liaisons;
- o Missing and murdered indigenous persons – The Committee plans to receive updates on efforts to improve the tracking and recovery of missing and murdered indigenous persons, including developments from the Governor's task force and cooperation among law enforcement agencies;
- o Brucellosis management – Communication among the Wyoming Livestock Board, State and Tribal Game and Fish, Governor's office, and Tribes regarding interjurisdictional brucellosis management in livestock, elk and bison and including opportunities to share resources or funding, and possible legislation;
- o Off-Reservation hunting and Herrera v. Wyoming case developments;
- o Tobacco tax – Review tax information and cooperation between Wyoming and the Tribes.

Priority #: 2 Infrastructure, Land and Resources.

- o Ownership of fossils and artifacts – The Committee will review 2021 SF0088 along with relevant court decisions regarding ownership of fossils and artifacts on private lands.
- o Solid waste matters – The Committee intends to continue the effort by the Committee during previous interims to study and facilitate discussion regarding solid waste disposal and cleanup on the Reservation. The Committee would like to continue study of the illegal dumping taking place on the Reservation, and to receive updates on each Tribe's efforts and the Inter-Tribal Council solid waste committee priorities and efforts. Discussion would include updates on any memorandums of understanding between the Tribes and the United States Environmental Protection Agency or Fremont County Solid Waste Disposal District, any cleanup work, any status changes in transfer station operations, openings or closings, tipping fees and volumes, and an updated open dumps list.
- o Infrastructure development and rights of way – The Committee will receive updates from previous discussions with the Bureau of Indian Affairs about the maintenance and development of Reservation infrastructure, including an update on the BIA's effort to streamline their process in obtaining easements and rights-of-way, developing roads and facilities for the provision of natural gas, broadband, electricity, water, and sewage. This subject includes understanding fractionated land, multiple heirships, and buyback programs for Tribal members.

Priority #: 3 Health and Education.

- o Reservation resident wellbeing – The Committee would like to understand the overall wellbeing of Reservation residents and to receive updates on the status of COVID-19 responses and other health concerns, mental illness, substance dependence, availability of housing and incidences of homelessness.
- o Health care – 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.
- o Higher education – The Committee plans to review higher education developments, including updates from the University of Wyoming regarding recruitment, retention, and inclusion of Native American students and from Central Wyoming College and other community colleges.
- o K-12 and humanities – The Committee would like updates on K-12 education matters, film projects and other humanities and cultural endeavors.

Management Audit Committee

Standard Budget: \$22,000.00

Priority #: 1 Statutory Responsibilities.

The Management Audit Committee will scope topics and conduct evaluations in accordance with W.S. 28-8-107.

Priority #: 2 Agency Updates.

The Management Audit Committee serves as the home committee for the Department of Administration and Information, Department of Enterprise Technology Services, and the Department of Audit - Public Funds Division. The Committee will receive agency updates and study related issues.

Air Transportation Liaison Committee

Standard Budget: \$7,500.00

Select Committee on Capital Financing & Investments

Standard Budget: \$35,000.00

Priority #: 1 2021 Senate File 121 Study.

The Select Committee will conduct a comprehensive, one-year or two-year study of the inviolate nature and appropriate allocation of permanent and non-permanent state funds and their investment earnings

in light of constitutional law, federal law, state law and applicable fiduciary duties. The Select Committee will consider the ability of the Legislature to establish a fixed amount to be distributed from each permanent fund; coordinate with the State Loan and Investment Board, the State Treasurer's Office, and the Investment Funds Committee; and introduce any appropriate legislation based on the study.

Priority #: 2 2021 House Bill 244 Study.

The Select Committee will monitor the study that the Investment Funds Committee is required to undertake to assess options for improving the state's investment management structure for its sovereign wealth funds and other permanent and nonpermanent funds. The Select Committee will collaborate with the Investment Funds Committee on the study and the report prepared and will consider any legislation based on the results of the study.

Priority #: 3 Statutory Responsibilities.

The Select Committee will monitor the state's investment and capital-financing policies and receive related reports and updates, including: (1) the implementation of changes to the Investment Funds Committee composition resulting from 2021 House Bill 219 (if enacted); (2) the status of implementing a reference portfolio resulting from Senate File 119/Senate Enrolled Act 18 and 2021 Senate File 120/Senate Enrolled Act 41, if either or both are enacted; (3) an update on operational improvements to the State Treasurer's Office front, middle, and back-office systems and capacity; (4) investment performance, risk assessment, and fees for Fiscal Year 2021; (5) the treatment of capital gains and losses under current law and alternative scenarios for consideration; (6) spending policy results for Fiscal Year 2021; (7) performance compensation from the State Treasurer's Office and Wyoming Retirement System; and (8) public purpose investments.

Select Federal Natural Resource Management Committee

Standard Budget: \$10,000.00

Priority #: 1 Statutory Responsibilities.

The Select Federal Natural Resource Management Committee is required by statute to review federal policies or actions that may impact the management, development, or use of the state's natural resources. The Committee shall review the 30X30 Executive Order issued by President Biden in January 2021 and recommend any appropriate legislative responses to the executive order. The Committee is also authorized to 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.

Select Natural Resource Funding Committee

Standard Budget: \$10,000.00

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.

Priority #: 2 Review of Ongoing Projects.

The Committee will 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.

Priority #: 3 Review of Conservation Efforts.

The Committee will study conservation programs, including programs by The Nature Conservancy, Wyoming Stock Growers Land Trust and Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.

Priority #: 4 Review of Conservation Efforts.

The Committee will study conservation programs, including programs by The Nature Conservancy, Wyoming Stock Growers Land Trust and Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.

Select Water Committee

Standard Budget: \$41,000.00

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. Specifically, the Committee will examine other funding sources for the water development program to help address the issue of aging infrastructure within the State.

Priority #: 2 WWDC Commissioner Appointment - Party Split Requirement.

The Select Water Committee will review the statutory party-split for appointments by the Governor to the Wyoming Water Development Commission and whether the requirement should be repealed.

Priority #: 3 Orphan Water Rights.

The Select Water Committee will review the issue of "orphan water rights," meaning those water rights, which due to urban growth, are no longer being used but are still attached to the underlying land. This topic is a continuation from last year.

Priority #: 4 Review of Wyoming Supreme Court Cases Related to the Conveyance of Water Across Property.

The Select Water Committee will review Wyoming Supreme Court cases related to the conveyance of water across property and the need for any legislation.

Priority #: 5 Produced Water

The Select Water Committee will continue their study from the 2020 interim on the ability to put produced water to beneficial use.

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 state construction department; (2) develop knowledge and expertise among its members regarding issues pertaining to school facilities and commission and department programs and procedures to maintain statewide facility adequacy; (3) prepare budget recommendations addressing statewide building and facility needs; and (4) review and provide recommendations on proposed commission rules.