

# **2019 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

## ***FINAL BILL REVIEW AND STATUS***

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2019

**NOTE: The Legislative Session is currently adjourned on Thursday, February 28th.**

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### **HOUSE BILLS**

**HB 01 BUDGET BILL**—Key appropriations affecting agriculture:

◆ Governor—Development of County Land Use Plans	\$1,5 million
◆ Department of Agriculture—Predator Control	\$200,000
◆ Wildlife Trust—Invasive Species Research & Treatment	\$1.2 million
◆ State Lands —Noxious Weeds & invasive Species	\$500,000
◆ UW—Rode Related Facilities	\$500,000
◆ UW—Biosecurity Laboratory	\$250,000
◆ UW—Excellence in Ag Education Endowment Challenge	\$500,000
◆ WY Business Council—Ag Marketing	\$100,000
◆ State Fair Endowment Account	\$1 million

Passed House & Senate

WSGA Position: Support

**HB 02 REGULATION OF HUNTING METHODS**—Authorizes the Game & Fish through rulemaking to control the methods and technologies use in hunting of wildlife.

Status: Passed House & Senate

WSGA Position: Amend/Support

**HB 28 REGULATION OF SHED ANTLER & BIG GAME HORN COLLECTION**—Grants G&F the authority to establish collection seasons on all public lands west of Interstate 25.

Status: Passed House & Senate

WSGA Position: Support

**HB 31 RULE AGAINST PERPETUITY AMENDMENTS**—Would allow for property other than real property to be held in a trust for up to 1,000 years, subject to certain conditions.

Status: Passed House & Senate

WSGA Position: Monitor

**HB 32 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL AMENDMENTS**—Provides for staffing of the Environmental Quality Council independent of the Department of Environmental Quality.

Status: Passed House & Senate

WSGA Position: Monitor

**HB 54 FEDERAL NATURAL RESOURCE POLICY ACCOUNT AMENDMENTS**—Authorizes expenditure of up to \$50,000 per county to develop comprehensive natural resource management plans.

Status: Passed House & Senate

WSGA Position: Support

**HB 81 OMNIBUS WATER BILL-PLANNING**—Authorizes Reconnaissance and Feasibility studies for water projects, rehabilitations and studies.

Status: Passed House & Senate

WSGA Position: Monitor

**HB 99 WYOMING MULTIPLE USE OF PUBLIC LANDS DAY**—Designates the 4th Saturday in September each year as “Public Lands Day”.

Status: Passed House & Senate

WSGA Position: Support as Amended

**HB 130 WYOMING COWBOY LEGACY WEEK**—Designates the 3rd week of September as Wyoming Cowboy Heritage Week to recognize the history and principles exemplified by cowboys and cowgirls.

Status: Passed House & Senate

WSGA Position: Support

**HB 134 LIVESTOCK BRANDS AMENDMENTS**—Extends the delinquency period for expired brands to two years; requires a notice not less than six months prior to abandonment.

Status: Passed House & Senate

WSGA Position: Amend/Support

**HB 196 LOCAL REGULATION-SUBDIVISIONS**—Precludes a county from preventing residential or agricultural uses authorized for land divisions that are family exemptions from subdivision requirements.

Status: Passed House & Senate

WSGA Position: Support

**HB 235 CARE OF ANIMALS**—Authorizes court orders in domestic abuse cases to provide for removal and protection of pet animals.

Status: Passed House & Senate

WSGA Position: Monitor/Amend

**HJ 01 WYOMING SUPPORT FOR DELISTING THE GRIZZLY BEAR**—Requests that Congress delist the grizzly bear and fully fund the management of the grizzly by the state.

Status: Passed House & Senate

WSGA Position: Support

## SENATE FILES

**SF 01 BUDGET**—See HB 01

**SF 41 COUNTY FAIR ENDOWMENT**—Authorizes a county to establish an endowment to accept gifts and grants in support of their county fair.

Status: Passed Senate & House

WSGA Position: Support

**SF 43 HATHAWAY SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY**—Authorizes the use of a career-technical aptitude test score as an eligibility requirement and allows career-technical elective courses to qualify s electives for the scholarship.

Status: Passed Senate & House

WSGA Position: Strongly Support

**SF 59 OMNIBUS WATER BILL—CONSTRUCTION**—Authorizes and funds numerous new and rehabilitation rural and domestic water projects including weather modification; provides both grants & loans.

Status: Passed Senate & House

WSGA Position: Monitor

**SF 66 LIVESTOCK ENFORCEMENT-REIMBURSEMENT**—Creates a Livestock Enforcement Fund to be used by the WY Livestock Board to reimburse county sheriffs for activities related to enforcement of livestock laws and to provide training; appropriates \$250,000 for year two of the current biennium.

Status: Passed Senate & House

WSGA Position: Strongly Support

**SF 68 MEAT FROM HARVESTED LIVESTOCK OR POULTRY**—Prohibits misrepresenting a product as meat that is not harvested from livestock or poultry.

Status: Passed Senate & House

WSGA Position: Amend/Support

**SF 70 LANDOWNER & LESSEE LIABILITY LIMITATIONS**—Extends the landowner protection from liability for damage or injury to include third parties; makes the recreational user liable for injury to a third party; extends protection from liability to authorized improvements to state land lessees.

Status: Passed Senate & House

WSGA Position: Strongly Support

**SF 77 2019 LARGE PROJECT FUNDING**—Authorizes the expenditure of Wildlife & Natural Resource Trust funds for specific projects including three conservation easements to be held by the Stock Growers Land Trust.

Status: Passed Senate & House

WSGA Position: Strongly Support

**SF 78 ARCHEOLOGICAL HUMAN BURIAL SITES**—Establishes protocols for the handling of human remains unearthed on state and private lands.

Status: Passed Senate & House

WSGA Position: Support

**SF 93 GRIZZLY BEAR HUNTS**—Authorizes the Wyoming Game & Fish to conduct grizzly bear hunts when deemed necessary without regard for federal status or federal court orders.

Status: Passed Senate & House

WSGA Position: Support

**SF 107 PARI-MUTUAL FEES DRISTRIBUTION-STATE FAIR ACCOUNT**—Provides that a county , city or town may designate a 1% distribution of the historic pari-mutual monies wagered in the county to the state fair account.

Status: Passed Senate & House

WSGA Position: Support

**SF 111 COMMUNITY COLLEGES-BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE PROGRAM**—Authorizes community colleges to grant 4 year Applied Bachelor of Science degrees in career & technical education fields.

Status: Passed Senate & House

WSGA Position: Support

**SF 122 WYOMING WORKS PROGRAM**—Provides funding for student grants and community college technical programs to meet workforce needs; appropriates \$10 million.

Status: Passed Senate & House

WSGA Position: Support

**SF 142 COUNTY REGULATION OF LIVESTOCK GRAZING**—Prohibits a county from eliminating livestock grazing on any lands without full compliance with county zoning regulations.

Status: Passed Senate & House

WSGA Position: Strongly Support

**SJ 10 MULTIPLE USE OF PUBLIC LANDS**—Calls upon Congress to pass legislation that promotes greater state and local involvement in the multiple use of federal lands and calls upon state agencies to assume a more active role in the federal land planning process.

Status: Passed Senate & House

WSGA Position: Support

#### **BILLS THAT FAILED OR DID NOT RECEIVE FLOOR CONSIDERATION**

**HB 10 CRIMES AGAINST CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE:** WSGA Position: Amend/Support

**HB 12 SHED ANTLERS & HORNS**—WSGA Position: Monitor

**HB 36 MAIL BALLOT ELECTIONS:** WSGA Position: Monitor

**HB 46 AGRICULTURAL FEED PRODUCTS-CIVIL LIABILITY:** WSGA Position: Support

**HB 47 SENATE CONFIRMATION OF WATER COMPACT COMMISSIONERS:** WSGA Position: Oppose

**HB 48 BRAND RERECORDING NOTICES:** WSGA Position: Support

**HB 50 LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF STATE LAND TRANSFERS:** WSGA Position: Oppose

**HB 51 LAWFUL FENCE STANDARDS-COUNTY PREEMPTION:** WSGA Position: Strongly Support

**HB 64 INDEXING FUEL TAXES:** WSGA Position: Monitor

**HB 67 SALES TAX REVISIONS:** WSGA Position: Strongly Oppose

**HB 68 SCHOOL FUNDING REVENUE:** WSGA Position: Strongly Oppose

**HB 126 REVENUE RECLIBRATION TASK FORCE:** WSGA Position: Monitor

**HB 129 CIVICS PROFICIENCY EXAMINATION:** WSGA Position: Support

**HB 184 PRIVATE ROADS:** WSGA Position: Amend/Support

**HB 189 WIDE LOAD RESTRICTIONS-AGRICULTURE:** WSGA Position: Monitor

**HB 193 WYOMING CAREER TECHNICAL PATHWAY WORKFORCE STRATEGY:** WSGA Position: Support

**HB 208 SPLIT ESTATES-GOOD FAITH NEGOTIATIONS:** WSGA Position: Strongly Support

**HB 209 SPLIT ESTATES-MEASURE OF DAMAGES**—WSGA Position: Support

**HB 217 WYOMING CAMPING ACT:** WSGA Position: Strongly Oppose

**HB 224 SPLIT ESTATES-APPLICABILITY OF PROCEDURES:** WSGA Position: Support

**HB 248 SAGE GROUSE GAME BIRD FARMS-EXTENSION:** WSGA Position: Support

- HB 284 VIDEO SKILL GAMES-2:** WSGA Position: Oppose  
**HB 285 EMINENT DOMAIN WILD ENERGY COLLECTOR SYSTEMS:** WSGA Position: Strongly Support  
**HB 288 ANIMAL CRUELTY—SNOWMOBILES :** WSGA Position: Oppose  
**HB 294 SCHOOL TRUST LANDS STUDIES:** WSGA Position: Oppose  
**HB 305 LAND ACCESS STUDY:** WSGA Position: Oppose/Amend  
**HJ 03 SUPREME COURT JUSTICES—SENATE CONFIRMATION:** WSGA Position: Oppose  
**HJ 04 TERM LIMITS-STATEWIDE ELECTED OFFICIALS:** WSGA Position: Oppose  
**HJ 05 STATE LANDS MINERAL ROYALTIES-CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT:** WSGA Position: Oppose  
**HJ 09 PERMANENT BAN ON STATE INCOME TAX:** WSGA Position: Monitor  
**SF 06 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX REPORTING:** WSGA Position: Monitor  
**SF 13 EMINENT DOMAIN-WIND ENERGY COLLECTION SYSTEMS:** WSGA Position: Strongly Support  
**SF 23 APPEALS BY COUNTY ASSESSOR:** WSGA Position: Oppose  
**SF 26 FIRE SUPPRESSION ACCOUNT APPROPRIATIONS—**WSGA Position: Support  
**SF 32 CHANGE IN POLITICAL PARTY AFFILIATION:** WSGA Position: Monitor  
**SF 33 CRUELTY TO ANIMALS-PENALTIES:** WSGA Position: Oppose  
**SF 39 LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL OF WATER COMPACT AMENDMENTS:** WSGA Position: Monitor  
**SF 42 WATER DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS:** WSGA Position: Oppose  
**SF 58 VEHICLE REGISTRATION-DEPRECIATION:** WSGA Position: Support  
**SF 69 WATER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:** WSGA Position: Monitor  
**SF 87 TEMPORARY INSTREAM WATER USE:** WSGA Position: Strongly Oppose  
**SF 143 CIVICS PROFICIENCY:** WSGA Position: Monitor  
**SF 145 STATE TRUST LAND REVENUES:** WSGA Position: Monitor  
**SJ 01 STATE-FEDERAL SCHOOL TRUST LANDS EXCHANGE—**WSGA Position: Monitor  
**SJ 05 HOMEOWNERS BILL OF RIGHTS:** WSGA Position: Monitor

## **WSGA LOBBYING SUMMARY**

<b>Bills Actively Supported</b>	<b>Passed—16</b>	<b>Failed—5</b>
<b>Bills Actively Opposed</b>	<b>Passed—0</b>	<b>Failed—13</b>
<b>Bills Supported</b>	<b>Passed—11</b>	<b>Failed—9</b>
<b>Bills Opposed</b>	<b>Passed—0</b>	<b>Failed—2</b>
<b>Bills Monitored</b>	<b>Passed—5</b>	<b>Failed—14</b>