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Bill Number	Title	Sponsors	Summary	WEA's Position	Current Status of Bill: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bold = action taken today.</b></li> <li>• <b>Red = dead bill.</b></li> <li>• <b>Blue = Enrolled Act.</b></li> <li>• <b>Green = Signed into law.</b></li> </ul>
Specifics on any bill can be viewed at: <a href="http://legisweb.state.wy.us/2017/billreference/BillReference.aspx?type=ALL">http://legisweb.state.wy.us/2017/billreference/BillReference.aspx?type=ALL</a>					
<b>HOUSE BILLS:</b>					
<a href="#">HB0001</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0082</a>	General government appropriations.	Appropriations	<p><b>HEA0082:</b> Supplemental appropriations bill for remainder of biennium.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CCC total budget cut approx. 8% from 2016-17.</li> <li>• UW total budget cut approx. 10% from 2016-17.</li> <li>• UW Budget Footnote requires UW, the CCC, &amp; ea. CC to collaborate &amp; develop a unified plan for a coordinated approach to recruit &amp; retain, &amp; incentives for, students graduating from Wyoming HSs &amp; from schools in states contiguous to WY. Rpt. required by 9/30/17, &amp; incorporate a final plan by 12/1/17 in their respective budgets for biennium 2019-20.</li> <li>• COPS is cut by nearly 12%.</li> <li>• WDE is cut by approx. 11% &amp; has a loss of 5 FT &amp; 2 PT positions.</li> <li>• Allows for transfer of funds from LSRA to the Budget Reserve Acct. if specified conditions are met. Stops transfers from the Perm. WY Mineral Trust Fund Reserve Acct. to the Permanent WY Mineral Trust Fund until 6/30/18. Stops transfers from the Common School Perm. Fund Reserve Acct. to the Common School Acct. w/in the Perm. Land Fund until 6/30/18. The unobligated, unencumbered fund balance of the Perm. Land Fund Holding Acct. will be transferred to the School Fdn. Program Acct. on 7/1/17. Stops transfers from the SFP Acct. to the School Cap. Con. Acct. until 6/30/18.</li> <li>• Decreases the appropriation for health insurance benefits for state employee <i>retirees</i> who retired before 7/1/08, incl. CC &amp; UW retirees, by over 8%.</li> </ul>		Governor signed bill, but line-item vetoed several pieces. Legislature overrode a few of the Governor's line-item vetoes (none of which affect education).

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<a href="#">HB0008ENG</a> , <a href="#">Now HEA0014</a>	Student data privacy, security and transparency.	Education	<a href="#">HEA0014</a> : Requires WDE & ETS to develop a data privacy plan, as specified, for ed. data & to remove personally identifiable info. Prohibits the sale <u>or trade</u> of student data to private entities or org.s. By 1/1/18, school dist.s must have policies on collection, access, privacy, security & use of student data, as specified. Effective immediately.	Support	Governor signed HEA0014.

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<a href="#">HB0009</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0027</a>	Student ownership and privacy rights.	Education	<b>HEA0027:</b> Prohibits the conveyance or transfer of ownership rights of writings & other communications created by a student at UW or any WY CC, solely because the communication is stored on an electronic device or network paid for in whole or in part by the institution. Student also has an expectation of privacy of such communications, w/specified exceptions. Effec. 7/1/17.	Support	Governor signed HEA0027.
<a href="#">HB0018</a> , <a href="#">HEA No. 0003</a>	Child abuse or neglect in military families.	Judiciary	<b>HEA0003:</b> Requires all DFS & local protection agencies to be trained to make reasonable efforts to determine the military status of persons & children in child abuse or neglect cases; if military-connected, case must be reported to the State Judge Advocate for the WY Military Dept. Effec. 7/1/17.	Monitor	Governor signed HEA0003.
<a href="#">HB0027</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0104</a>	School facility property insurance.	Sel Sch Fac	<b>HEA0104:</b> Requires school dist.s to have property insurance covering all educ., admin. & transportation facilities owned or maintained by the school dist. in an amt. adequate to cover against loss or damage to those facilities, & against consequential loss, other than noncontractual legal liability for that loss or damage. Allows a school bd. to elect not to provide property insurance coverage for any facility valued ≤ \$50K on a per-facility determination that the cost of insurance for it is disproportionately high compared to the value of the facility. Coverage provided by a school dist. joint powers bd. as of 2/1/17 shall satisfy the insurance requirement until 7/1/18, if kept in force.  Directs the Insurance Dept. to do an exam of the school dist. joint powers bd. operating a school risk retention program, as specified. Requires rpt. Effec. 7/1/17.	Monitor	Governor signed HEA0104.
<a href="#">HB0038</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0040</a>	School finance-interfund borrowing.	Education	<b>HEA0040:</b> Eliminates interest charged for funds borrowed from the Common School Permanent Land Fund to cash flow the School Foundation Program acct., resulting in a net-zero effect to the SFP. Effec. 7/1/17.	Support	Governor signed HEA0040.
<a href="#">HB0039</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0022</a>	Education-resident tuition reimbursement.	Education	<b>HEA0022:</b> Changes the reimbursement process to WY school dist.s for tuition payments made to out-of-state public school dist.s providing for reimbursements to be paid to school districts in the current school year and not the following year, effective school year 2016-2017. Thus, these costs are shifted	Support	Governor signed HEA0022.

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			to the same year the tuition expenditures are incurred. Effec. immediately.		
<a href="#">HB0040ENG</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0061</a>	Education accountability.	State Ed Acct	<p><b>HEA0061:</b> Modifies the WY Accountability in Ed. Act (WAEA) as specified, as well as changes to comply w/ ESSA, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adds EL proficiency as an indicator of school-level proficiency;</li> <li>• SBE, thru WDE, must establish long-term &amp; interim perf. targets for all WY schools for the school proficiency indicators; AYP goes away;</li> <li>• Specifies under what circumstances the SBE should consider adjustment of the perf. targets;</li> <li>• Changes references to the multi-tiered system of “support &amp; consequences” to “support &amp; intervention” <i>[Intended to be less punitive]</i>;</li> <li>• Removes requirement for schools exceeding or mtg. expectations on WAEA to file a communication/ improvement plan or to have an assigned WDE rep. to monitor their progress;</li> <li>• Schools partially or not mtg. expectations would file an improvement plan w/WDE &amp; the dist. supt. the first yr. of designation, as specified, &amp; yearly updates so long as receiving the same designation. They will receive supports &amp; interventions to assist them;</li> <li>• Acad. Growth indicator will be measured beginning in gr. 4 &amp; all subsequent gr.s in which there is a state summative assessment, incl. a standardized college readiness test in gr. 11;</li> <li>• Changes the “Readiness” indicator to “Post-secondary Readiness.” School-level performance shall be based on the percentage of students mtg. <u>either</u> college <u>or</u> career readiness. <b>College readiness</b> shall be measured by a standardized college entrance exam administered in 11<sup>th</sup> gr., &amp; other college readiness indicators as determined by SBE in consultation with the state supt. <b>Career readiness</b> shall be measured by student performance as determined by SBE in consultation with the state supt.</li> </ul>	Support	Governor Signed HEA0061.

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Removes the 11<sup>th</sup> gr. college readiness test from the Acad. Achievement indicator.</li> </ul> <p>Continues the Advisory Comm. on Statewide Ed. Accountability thru 12/31/2018; adds 4 legislators to membership of the Comm.; duties assigned; reports required.</p> <p>SBE duties assigned; rpt. required; PJP-type process &amp; rpt. required.</p> <p>Authorizes WDE to hire consultants as necessary to continue work on the Alternative School Accountability model &amp; pilot, as well as for traditional School Accountability. WDE (instead of LSO) will now staff the Advisory Comm. &amp; the Technical Advisory Group.</p> <p>Repeals the Select Comm. on Accountability &amp; assigns all its duties to JEIC.</p> <p>Appropriates \$6,500 to SBE for PJP travel expenses, but cannot be used for mtg. space or food. Appropriates \$3,500 to SBE for TAG travel.</p> <p>Several sections of bill are effec. immed.; remainder of bill effec. 7/1/17.</p>		
<a href="#">HB0041</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0058</a>	Court ordered placements-age restrictions.	Education	<a href="#">HEA0058</a> : Changes the ages of court-ordered placement residential and treatment costs to at least 5 yrs. old as of Sept. 15 of the applicable SY and under the age of 21. Effec. 7/1/17.	Support	Governor Signed HEA0058.
<a href="#">HB0042</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0007</a>	Education-state board of education membership.	Education	<a href="#">HEA0007</a> : Adds the president of UW, or designee, as a nonvoting, ex-officio member of the State Bd. of Ed. Effec. 7/1/17.	Support	Governor Signed HEA0007.
<a href="#">HB0055ENG</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0122</a>	Spending policy amendments-2.	Cap Fin & Inv	<a href="#">HEA0122</a> : Amends the annual spending policy rates for the Permanent Wyoming Mineral Trust Fund (PWMTF), the Common School Permanent Land Fund (CSPLF) & the Excellence in Higher Education Endowment (EHEE). Also amends the percentage of funds in the PWMTF reserve acct., the CSPLF reserve acct., and the EHEE reserve acct.	Support	<b>Governor Signed HEA0122.</b>

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			transferred respectively to the PWMTF & CSPF annually. Repeals certain distributions to the School Foundation program reserve account. Effec. 7/1/17.		
<a href="#">HB0058</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0124</a>	School facilities appropriations.	Appropriations	<p><b>HEA0124:</b> Modifies the biennial appropriation for school facility projects thru 6/30/18, to include &gt; \$36.274M for specified cap. con., land &amp; modular leases, unanticipated costs, charter school leases, demo. projects, &amp; emergency projects. Appropriates nearly \$21M for major maintenance. Appropriates nearly \$21M for the construction of a project or projects to address capacity &amp; condition needs recommended by the SFC &amp; approved by the Gov. Prior to approval, the recommendations of the SFC shall be reported to the Select Comm. on School Facilities &amp; JAC. Up to \$3M of this amt. may be expended for planning &amp; design of the project following approval.</p> <p>Requires a rpt. by the SFC NLT 8/1/17 that identifies potential options of moving charter schools w/in existing educ. gross square footage of the school dist. in which the charter school operates.</p> <p>Appropriates up to \$300,000 for a consultants' study to determine the most cost effective and efficient approach to deliver quality ed. services &amp; address bldg. &amp; facility needs.</p> <p>Immediately transfers \$78.324M from Legis. Stabilization Reserve Acct. to School Cap. Con. Acct.</p> <p>Requires the SFC, thru the State Construction Dept., to study the allocation of funds for major maintenance, as specified; requires rpt. by 8/1/17.</p> <p>Effec. immed.</p>	Support	<b>Governor Signed HEA0124.</b>
<a href="#">HB0059</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0010</a>	Higher education fiscal procedure amendments.	Appropriations	<p><b>HEA0010:</b> Matching funds for specified HE endowment challenge acct.s will only be made available to the extent contributions are actually rec'd by the HE institution.</p>	Monitor	Governor Signed HEA No. 0010

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			Provides for an exception budget request procedure for health insur. funding needs related to the addition of any benefitted positions created during the preceding FY at the CCs. Effec. 7/1/17.		
<a href="#">HB0076ENG</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0119</a>	American Indian education program.	Rep.s Allen, Barlow, Blackburn, Blake, Connolly & Larsen, and Sen.s Case & Ellis	<a href="#">HEA0119</a> : Requires the SBE, thru WDE, in coop. w/tribes of the region, including the Eastern Shoshone & No. Arapahoe tribes, to review the WY Social Studies content & perf. standards (CPS) to ensure the cultural heritage, history & contemporary contributions of Amer. Indians are addressed. WDE must, in consultation w/ tribes of the region, including the Eastern Shoshone & No. Arapahoe tribes, make materials and resources available on the WDE Website to assist school dist.s in meeting benchmarks in WY Social Studies CPS relating to the study of Amer. Indian tribes. Effec. immed.	Support	<b>Governor Signed HEA0119.</b>
<a href="#">HB0126</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0102</a>	Elementary school foreign language requirement.	Rep.s Piiiparinen, Clem, Dayton, Hunt, Kirkbride & Steinmetz, & Sen.s Anselmi-Dalton, Barnard & Wasserburger	<a href="#">HEA0102</a> : Makes permissive, rather than mandatory, the requirement to provide foreign language instruction in gr. K-2. Effec. 7/1/17.	Support	<b>Governor vetoed HEA 0102.</b>
<a href="#">HB0139</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0054</a>	School finance-court ordered placement.	Rep.s Northrup, Brown, Connolly & Paxton, & Sen.s Landen & Rothfuss	<a href="#">HEA0054</a> : A school dist. may count COPS children among its ADM if the dist. provides education services directly to the children or pays another dist. to provide educ. services to the children pursuant to contract. Effec. 7/1/17.	Support	Governor Signed HEA0054.
<a href="#">HB0153</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0096</a>	Parental rights.	Rep.s Jennings, Baker, Biteman, Blake, Brown, Clem, Dayton, Edwards, Eklund, Lindholm, Loucks, McKim, Steinmetz & Winters, & Sen.s	<a href="#">HEA0096</a> : Provides for a parental right to the care, custody and control of their child, that resides first in the parent. Prohibits any state or local agency from infringing on that parental right w/o demonstrating that the interest of the government as applied to the parent or child is a compelling state interest addressed by the least restrictive means. Effec. 7/1/17.	Monitor	<b>Governor signed HEA0096.</b>

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		Baldwin, Barnard, Bebout, Case & Kinskey			
<a href="#">HB0159ENG</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0109</a>	Homeless minors.	Rep.s Zwonitzer & Freeman, & Sen. Boner	<b><a href="#">HEA0109</a></b> : Authorizes a minor who is meets certain conditions, including that he is unemancipated, homeless, & at least 16 yrs. old, to obtain a birth certificate & to enter into binding contracts as specified, such as housing, employment, motor vehicle purchase, etc. Requires a notarized affidavit, as specified, that is witnessed by 2 or more adults, as specified; however, the witness does not assume any legal responsibility or liability. The contracts are legally binding if accepted in good faith reliance on the affidavit. The fact a minor is 16 or older & is homeless is not sufficient basis for reporting abuse or neglect. Effec. 7/1/17.	Monitor	Governor Signed <a href="#">HEA0109</a> .
<a href="#">HB0190</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0100</a>	Hathaway reserve account.	Rep.s Harshman, Bovee, Brown, Connolly, Greear, Kinner, Kirkbride, Northrup & Paxton, & Sen. Perkins	<b><a href="#">HEA0100</a></b> : Increases the amt. retained in the Hathaway Scholarship Reserve Acct. that would otherwise be transferred to the Hathaway Scholarship Endowment Fund. Effec. immed.	Support	Governor Signed <a href="#">HEA0100</a> .
<a href="#">HB0194ENG</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0093</a>	School safety and security.	Rep.s Eklund, Allen, Flitner, Greear, McKim, Northrup, Paxton, Sommers & Winters, & Sen.s Barnard, Coe, Dockstader & Hicks	<b><a href="#">HEA0093</a></b> : Allows school boards to adopt R&Rs, in consultation w/local law enforcement, to allow the possession of firearms by employees (including "volunteers") possessing a valid concealed carry permit on or in any property or facility owned or leased by the school dist. Such employees may only carry in areas designated by the school bd. if the bd. has adopted R&Rs & given the employee permission to carry on dist. property. The R&Rs shall only apply to persons who are dist. employees (including "volunteers"), as defined in the act.  The rules must: establish an approval & application process for employees w/a concealed carry permit to carry on school property or areas designated by the Bd.; require the person to keep the firearm on his person at all times or in a concealed	Oppose	<b>Governor Signed <a href="#">HEA0093</a>.</b>



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			<p>biometric container or lock box w/in the direct control of the individual at all times; establish ongoing training requirements, curricula &amp; instructor qualifications, as specified, although all or part of such training may be waived by the dist. for isolated schools &amp; their employees; &amp; provide a process for the revocation or suspension of the authorization to carry on school property. The Supt. must: notify parents of the ability of staff to carry weapons &amp; the R&amp;Rs pertaining to it, &amp; notify area law enforcement of the locations &amp; names of all employees w/permission to carry. The identities of the employees w/permission to carry will remain confidential &amp; the info. is not considered public records. Nothing in this law gives employees the right to carry on school property w/o the Bd.'s express approval. No student is authorized to carry a weapon, concealed or not, on school property. The R&amp;Rs only apply to dist. employees, as defined. Effec. 7/1/17.</p>		
<p><a href="#">HB0211</a>, now <a href="#">HEA0073</a></p>	<p>Developmental preschool payment calculations-amendments.</p>	<p>Larsen</p>	<p><b>HEA0073:</b> Amends provisions related to developmental preschool pymt. calculations to include only those children who are placed on IEPs or individualized family service plans on or before 12/1 of the yr. in which the budget request is being prepared. Effec. 7/1/17.</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>Governor Signed HEA0073.</p>
<p><a href="#">HB0236ENG</a>, now <a href="#">HEA0125</a></p>	<p>School finance-omnibus education funding.</p>	<p>H Education</p>	<p><b>HEA0125:</b>  <b>Revenue Stream Policy Changes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Transfer an amt. from LSRA to restore School Fnd. Program Acct. (SFP) unexpended, unobligated balance to \$100M ea. FY. Repealed if the LSRA unexpended, unobligated balance falls to &lt; \$500M.</li> <li>• Stops existing transfers of funds as follows (i.e., we won't grow our permanent savings): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Stops transfer of funds from SFP to School Cap. Con. Acct.</li> <li>○ Stop trip from School Cap. Con. Acct. to Common School Acct. w/in Perm. Land Fund.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>K-12 Funding Reductions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Institutes fractional ADM calculations. Pupils who attend at least 80% of an FTE basis shall be considered FT.</li> </ul>	<p>Monitor</p>	<p><b>Governor Signed HEA0125.</b></p>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The reductions in this act are intended to be temporary, pending a recalibration of the model. Creates a Select Comm. on School Finance Recalibration, w/membership as specified. Comm. is to undertake a study to review the state ed. program &amp; to recalibrate the funding model “to determine if modifications are necessary to ensure the model remains effective &amp; cost-based in light of changing conditions &amp; modifications to law.” Comm. is allowed to develop an alternative to the funding model, if deemed appropriate, rather than limiting its study to recalibration of the existing model. Comm. will also study &amp; recommend solutions to the projected ed. funding budget shortfall, focusing on 4 major issues: a) Use of existing revenues; b) Diversion of existing revenue streams &amp; investment income; c) Options to increase revenues; d) Budget &amp; expenditure reductions. Specifies staffing; authorizes hiring consultants; requires rpt.; Comm. may develop &amp; sponsor legislation; appropriates \$80K for expenses of the Comm.</li> </ul> <p>Some portions of bill are effec. immed.; remainder is effec. 7/1/17.</p>		
<a href="#">HB0237</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0029</a>	Community college capital construction.	Appropriations	<b>HEA0029:</b> Provides appropriations for CC facilities: approx. \$10.7M for 3 projects; & another \$14.25M for 3 add'l projects, but w/conditions as to availability of funds. Effec. immed.	Support	Signed into law by Gov.
<a href="#">HB0238ENG</a> , now <a href="#">HEA0110</a>	Nude image of a minor disseminated or possessed by a minor.	Rep.s Connolly, Baker, Bovee, Brown, Freeman, Halverson, Miller, Northrup, Pelkey & Sommers, & Sen.s Anselmi-Dalton, Christensen, Coe, Pappas,	<b>HEA0110:</b> Creates offenses, as specified, in the 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , & 3 <sup>rd</sup> degree of dissemination by a minor of a nude image of himself, or possession or dissemination by a minor of a nude image of another minor. Provides definitions. Provides for penalties. Effec. 7/1/17.	Monitor	<b>Governor Signed HEA0110.</b>

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		Rothfuss & Wasserburger			
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<a href="#">SF0001</a>	General government appropriations-2.	Appropriations	<i>See final description under HB0001.</i>		<i>See progress under HB0001.</i>
<a href="#">SF0015ENG</a> , now <a href="#">SEA0036</a>	Special district budget requirements.	Corporations	<a href="#">SEA0036</a> : Applies to numerous types of special dist.s. Specifies requirements pertaining to public records, administration of finances, & mtg.s of the specified special bd.s. Such bd.s must file any promulgated R&Rs, adopted ordinances or bylaws & any amendments w/the county clerk for each county in which it is located. Must maintain cp.s of specified documents (e.g., minutes, financial doc.s, etc.) & make them available for public review or file them w/the county clerk, depending on specific circumstances; in some cases, they will need to produce a hardcopy if requested. All public mtg.s must be accessible & noticed in compliance w/statute. Establishes requirements for admin. & procedures re: finances. Effec. 7/1/17.	Monitor	Governor Signed SEA0036.
<a href="#">SF0018</a> , now <a href="#">SEA0014</a>	Special district public records-BOCES.	Corporations	<a href="#">SEA0014</a> : Removes BOCES from the Special District Public Records & Meetings Act. Effec. 7/1/17.	Monitor	Governor signed SEA0014.
<a href="#">SF0035ENG</a> , now <a href="#">SEA0057</a>	Virtual education.	Education	<a href="#">SEA0057</a> : Changes current statutory references from “distance education” to “virtual education” [VE], & updates the definition of VE students, including differentiation between FT & PT. Removes requirement for a VE student to have a “distance learning plan.”  Requires State Supt. (WDE) to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>annually publish a course catalog of the VE courses available &amp; the tuition to be assessed by the school dist. instructing the course;</li> <li>provide TA &amp; PD for teachers &amp; school admin.s re: VE delivery;</li> <li>w/PTSB, specify in R&amp;Rs the minimum PD requirements for teachers teaching virtually;</li> <li>monitor the design, content, delivery &amp; accreditation of dist.s’ VE programs;</li> </ul>	Support	<b>Governor Signed SEA0057.</b>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• establish a centralized learning management system, as specified, that dist.s may choose to use to administer, document, track, report &amp; deliver VE courses;</li> <li>• specify in R&amp;Rs the criteria &amp; necessary components of individual school dist. LMSs;</li> <li>• implement a comprehensive reporting &amp; data collection process, as specified, that at a minimum, allows disaggregation of acad. performance data of FT VE students vs. those in brick-&amp;-mortar schools;</li> <li>• establish an advisory comm., as specified, to recommend modifications to rules, policies, practices &amp; procedures &amp; serve in an advisory capacity to school dist.s to improve the delivery of VE courses across the state.</li> </ul> <p>For WAEA purposes, adds FT VE students to the list of disaggregated subgroups for whom student perf. results on statewide assessments are reported. Requires SBE to report assessment results for FT VE students in aggregate form &amp; separate from students attending school in a brick-&amp;-mortar facility.</p> <p>Changes statutory language pertaining to ADM funding &amp; specifics re: tuition charges for students attending PT in another dist. Specifies responsibilities of a dist. providing PT VE to a student enrolled in another dist. WDE, the VE Advisory Comm., &amp; the Data Advisory Comm. must develop a methodology for computing ADM for VE students, as specified. Effec. 7/1/17.</p>		
<a href="#">SF0036ENG</a> , now <a href="#">SEA0031</a>	Education-leader evaluation and support.	State Ed Acct	<p><b>SEA0031:</b> Modifies the WY Accountability in Educ. Act (WAEA), Phase II, Leader Accountability. Removes requirement tying student performance to leader accountability. For schools partially or not mtg. expectations for WAEA, requires state review of the design &amp; implementation of the dist.'s leader eval. system.</p> <p>By 7/1/18, requires the SBE to establish R&amp;Rs re: implementation &amp; administration of an eval. system for school</p>	Support	Governor Signed SEA0031.

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			<p>&amp; dist. leaders that identifies professional standards &amp; requires annual eval.; the R&amp;Rs shall allow dist.s the opportunity to refine the system to meet the individual needs of ea. dist. The SBE, thru WDE, shall evaluate any dist. 's alternative leader eval. system prior to adoption.</p> <p>NLT 7/1/17, SBE shall report to JEIC on the status &amp; substance of the proposed R&amp;Rs. Sect. 2 of bill (chg. to linking to student perf. data) is effec. 7/1/17; remainder of bill is effec. immed.</p>		
<p><a href="#">SF0037ENG</a>, now <a href="#">SEA0056</a></p>	<p>Education-Hathaway scholarship program-2.</p>	<p>Education</p>	<p><b><a href="#">SEA0056</a></b>: As pertains to the Hathaway Scholarship Program only, beginning SY 2018-19 &amp; thereafter, for determining initial scholarship eligibility only, R&amp;Rs shall include a measure to account for academic rigor of courses. Changes the definition of a "semester hr." to incl. college credits toward a postsecondary degree or certificate earned while still in HS. Provides for a process to allow courses in the following areas to be considered to count for the Success Curric.: CTE, arts, music &amp; honors courses, &amp; concurrent and dual enrollment courses.</p> <p>WDE is to study options to further incentivize completion of the Success Curric., as specified; recommendations must be reported by 8/1/17. For students graduating in 2017-18, the Success Curric. will be as specified in statute prior to this year's changes. Effec. immed.</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>Governor signed SEA0056.</p>
<p><a href="#">SF0041</a>, now <a href="#">SEA0020</a></p>	<p>Enterprise technology services amendments.</p>	<p>Appropriations</p>	<p><b><a href="#">SEA0020</a></b>: Requires ETS to annually apply to the FCC for \$\$ available to WY under the schools and libraries program of the Universal Service Fund; all such funds rec'd must be deposited into the School Foundation Program Acct.</p> <p>Places requirements on the process of state purchase of computers.</p> <p>Rather than purchasing facilities or providing its own communications services for the creation &amp; operation of a state govt. &amp; HE unified telecommunications network, ETS must purchase services from commercial communications carriers to the fullest extent reasonably feasible. Such a</p>	<p>Monitor</p>	<p>Gov. signed SEA0020.</p>

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			network is limited to use only by: exec., legis., & judicial branches, incl. UW & CCs, as well as WY public schools & public libraries. Effec. 7/1/17.		
<a href="#">SF0044ENG</a> , now <a href="#">SEA0044</a>	Speech pathology and audiology.	Corporations	<a href="#">SEA0044</a> : Changes statutory references from “speech pathology” to “speech-language pathology.” Modifies the definitions of speech-language pathologist, audiologist, speech-language pathology aide, & audiometric technician. Creates new definition & outlines duties for “speech-language pathology assistant.” Creates new definition for “telepractice.” Modifies requirements for licensure. Expands the list of persons eligible to serve on the Bd. of Speech Path. & Audiology; provides for a vice-chair of said Bd.; modifies the functions of the Bd.; requires use of an adopted seal on licenses issued by the Bd. & to authenticate its proceedings. Modifies the provisions for suspension, revocation & renewal of licenses. Modifies the provisions & requirements for re-licensure after allowing a license to expire. Modifies licensing fees. Effec. 7/1/17.	Support	Governor Signed SEA0044.
<a href="#">SF0067ENG</a> , now <a href="#">SEA0029</a>	CHIP-program amendments.	Labor	<a href="#">SEA0029</a> : Amends Child Health Insurance Program (CHIP) benefits for targeted low-income children to include authorization for managed care as specified in federal code. Is only effective if the CHIP program is provided thru a private insurance co. licensed by the WY Insurance Commissioner. Effec. 3/31/18.	Monitor	Governor Signed SEA0029.
<a href="#">SF0123</a> , now <a href="#">SEA0052</a>	School nutrition pilot project.	Sen.s Boner, Driskill & Hicks, & Rep.s Hunt, Lindholm and Sommers	<a href="#">SEA0052</a> : Establishes the School Protein Enhancement Pilot Project for public school children. Under the project, WDE may provide financial assistance to school dist.s to increase the quantity of <u>WY</u> poultry, lamb, pork, beef or bison used in school lunches during SY 2017-18. Funding shall be provided only to pay for processing costs for the WY meat donated to a dist. WDE shall, to the extent possible, equally match funding contributed by dist.s to pay for WY meat processing costs. WDE must also try to provide funding to as many dist.s as possible. Dist.s may apply to WDE for funding on or before 6/15/17. WDE must create R&Rs. Allows the use of \$25K for the program from previously-authorized WDE FY ’16-17 biennial funding. Effec. immed.	Support	Governor signed SEA0052.

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<p><a href="#">SF0129ENG</a>, now <a href="#">SEA0086</a></p>	<p>Sexual assault-school employee.</p>	<p>Sen.s Boner, Anselmi-Dalton, Driskill, Landen, Nethercott &amp; Wasserburger, &amp; Rep.s Barlow, Blake, Clausen, Clem, Kirkbride, Lindholm &amp; Pelkey</p>	<p><b>SEA0086:</b> Specifies add'l conduct, specific to any elem. or secondary public or private school employee or volunteer who, by virtue of their employment or volunteer relationship w/the school, has interaction with the victim who is a student or participant in the activities of the school &amp; is at least 4 yrs. older than the victim, constituting sexual assault in the second or third degree. Effec. 7/1/17.</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p><b>Governor Signed SEA0086.</b></p>
<p><a href="#">SF0132ENG</a>, now <a href="#">SEA0064</a></p>	<p>ENDOW initiative.</p>	<p>Bebout</p>	<p><b>SEA0064:</b> Legis. &amp; Gov. have undertaken an effort to develop a 20-yr. comprehensive &amp; coordinated economic diversification strategy for WY, &amp; have I.D.'d &amp; invested in several projects, w/hopes of more. Creates the Economically Needed Diversity Options for Wyoming (ENDOW) Exec. Council, w/members &amp; numerous duties as specified. Requires various rpt. By 8/1/18, Council must submit to the Gov. for his approval a 20-yr. comprehensive econ. diversification strategy; also, must develop 4-yr. action plans with performance benchmarks, including policy recommendations &amp; budget requests. Must review necessary or desirable legislation, R&amp;Rs, policies, procedures, etc., w/WY Business Council, CCC, UW, DWS, the Gov., &amp; other state agency directors. Must engage the public in the process. Creates a Coordinator of Econ. Diversification, &amp; assigns duties. Creates an Econ. Diversification Acct.; appropriates \$2.5M from LSRA to the acct., of which NLT \$1.5M must be used for workforce development, as specified. Effec. immed.</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>Governor signed SEA0064.</p>