

Statement of Reasons
Chapter 24 Livestock Law Enforcement Account

The Wyoming Livestock Board seeks to establish Chapter 24 of its rules to be entitled “Livestock Law Enforcement Account Rules.” These proposed rules implement the Legislature’s direction to the Board in SF0066, Enrolled Act No. 69 of the 2019 General Session, which created Wyoming Statute § 11-18-120. That statute established the Livestock Law Enforcement Account. Additionally, that statute directs the Board to administer the Account and to use it to reimburse county sheriffs for activities relating to in-state and out-of-state livestock investigations and to provide training to county sheriffs regarding livestock law enforcement.

Pursuant to the requirements of Wyoming Statute § 11-18-120, the Board adopted the proposed rules for the following reasons:

- To specify the uses of the Account.
- To identify expenses eligible for reimbursement.
- To identify expenses ineligible for reimbursement.
- To specify the requirements for a Mutual Aid Memoranda of Understanding that the Board may enter into with a county sheriff to obtain additional investigation support and targeted livestock law enforcement.
- To specify rates for reimbursement of eligible expenses.
- To establish the procedures a county sheriff must follow to request reimbursement.
- To establish the procedure by which a county sheriff may request reconsideration of any expense denied reimbursement by the Board.