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(Wyo.)-No Decision Yet On State's Possible Beer Tax Increase



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BUFFALO, Wyo. (ASSOCIATED PRESS) - A proposal to increase Wyoming's tax on beer has failed to gain support from an interim legislative committee.

However, one lawmaker says he'll work on bringing the proposal to next year's legislative session.

Wyoming's two cent a gallon tax on beer is the lowest in the nation.

Republican Sen. Ray Peterson, of Cowley, has proposed raising the tax by two cents to help pay for substance abuse treatment programs.

The Legislature's Joint Revenue Interim Committee discussed his bill on Friday in Buffalo but the proposal did not receive enough votes to win its endorsement.

The panel also rejected two alternative bills, including one that would have eliminated the state tax.