

MASTER STUDY RESOLUTION

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This joint resolution of the Legislature gives the Legislative Management Committee items of study it may assign to the appropriate interim committee.

Highlighted Provisions:

This resolution:

▶ gives the Legislative Management Committee items of study it may assign to the appropriate interim committee during the 2013 legislative interim;

▶ directs interim committees assigned these items to study and make recommendations for legislative action to the 60th Legislature before the 2014 Annual General Session; and

▶ suggests that the Legislative Management Committee, in approving studies, give consideration to the available time of legislators and the budget and capacity of staff to respond to the assigned studies.

Special Clauses:

None

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

WHEREAS, the Legislative Management Committee is created by law as a permanent committee to receive and assign matters for the interim study by committees of the Legislature; and



28 WHEREAS, the 60th Legislature has determined that certain legislative issues require
29 additional investigation and study:

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Management Committee
31 is given the following items of study to assign to the appropriate interim committee with the
32 duty to study and make recommendations for legislative action to the 60th Legislature before
33 the 2014 Annual General Session.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Management Committee, in
35 making study assignments from this list and in approving study requests for individual
36 committees, give consideration to the available time of legislators and the budget and capacity
37 of staff to respond adequately to the number and complexity of the assignments given.

38 1. References to "General Fund" in Code - to study, clarify, and clean up provisions
39 that refer to "General Fund" in Title 10, Chapter 5, Uniform Fiscal Procedures Act for Utah
40 Towns, Title 10, Chapter 6, Uniform Fiscal Procedures Act for Utah Cities, and Title 17,
41 Chapter 36, Uniform Fiscal Procedures Act for Counties.

42 2. Accessing Studies of Occupational and Environmental Health - to study a
43 requirement that the Rocky Mountain Center for Occupational and Environmental Health
44 create and maintain a website designed for the public to learn about the findings of research
45 studies regarding occupational and environmental health, including research on the health
46 effects of air pollution (S.B. 118).

47 3. Acupuncture Revisions - to study revisions to Title 58, Chapter 72, Acupuncture
48 Licensing Act.

49 4. Antidiscrimination Amendments - to study and address discrimination on the basis
50 of weight or height (H.B. 132).

51 5. Art Therapy - to study art therapy licensing.

52 6. Behavioral Analysts - to study the licensing of behavioral analysts (H.B. 400).

53 7. Building Plans Examiners - to study the licensing of building plans examiners.

54 8. Charitable Solicitations - to study Title 13, Chapter 22, Charitable Solicitations Act,
55 specifically the "professional fundraiser" permit, and annual reporting requirements.

56 9. Construction Registry - to study issues related to a state construction registry
57 review.

58 10. Continuing Education for Massage Therapists - to study whether to require

59 continuing education requirements as a condition of license renewal as a massage therapist
60 (H.B. 351).

61 11. Credit Scores and Credit Reports - to study how credit scores and credit reports are
62 calculated and how discrepancies may impact consumers.

63 12. Credit Service Organization Definition - to study whether to modify the definition
64 of a credit services organization to include a person that provides debt management services
65 (H.B. 137).

66 13. Digital Billboard Advertising - to study changes to current law relating to
67 billboards and electronic or mechanical changeable message signs (S.B. 76).

68 14. Discretionary Clause - to study issues related to an insurance discretionary clause.

69 15. Food Handler Permits - to study food handler permits for special events.

70 16. Licensing Alternatives - to study licensing alternatives, specifically certification
71 and registration.

72 17. Licensing of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses - to study changes to the
73 licensure of Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) interns so they will be more likely to
74 remain in Utah after they finish their training at the University of Utah.

75 18. Manufactured and Mobile Home Amendments - to study the treatment of
76 manufactured homes and mobile homes as real property (H.B. 312).

77 19. Master License for Hotels - to study a hotel master license for liquor sales.

78 20. Mobile Home Parks - to study tree maintenance in mobile home parks.

79 21. Music Therapists - to study the licensing, certification, or other state recognition of
80 music therapists (H.B. 169).

81 22. Online Study to Meet Licensing Requirements - to study the allowance of online
82 study to meet a portion of Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing Requirements.

83 23. Prevailing Wage - to study issues related to prevailing wage.

84 24. Staff and Training Requirements for Bars - to study a requirement that bars have at
85 least two employees on staff at all times and study a requirement that all employees have
86 cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training.

87 25. After School Programs - to study statewide after school programs, guidelines, and
88 definitions.

89 26. After School Programs for At-risk Students - to study ways to provide increased

90 access to after school programs to educate and involve at-risk students during after school
91 hours.

92 27. Bullying and Hazing Amendments - to study changes to the definition of bullying
93 and hazing (S.B. 243).

94 28. Bullying Prevention Programs - to study and examine bullying prevention
95 programs with data that demonstrates verifiable results.

96 29. Career and Technical Education Funding - to study a career and technical
97 education funding model.

98 30. Career and Technical Education Funding Model - to study whether to require that
99 new funding generated by the value increase in the weighted pupil unit for the Career and
100 Technical Education District Add-on Program should be targeted to certain types of career and
101 technical education courses.

102 31. Child Safety and Visibility - to study the use of reflective material to help prevent
103 children from getting hit by motor vehicles while crossing streets in the dark to get to school.

104 32. Dropout Reduction Strategy - to study whether to allow a student, age 16 to 18, to
105 be excused from school attendance by submitting an alternative learning plan that leads to a
106 high school diploma or equivalent, and to study the components of an alternative learning plan
107 and the process by which a student may qualify for an alternative learning plan.

108 33. Elementary Education Coteaching - to study the creation of an Elementary
109 Education Coteaching Pilot Program (S.B. 287).

110 34. Financial Impact of RDAs and CDAs on Education Funding in Utah - to study the
111 impact that Redevelopment Agency (RDA) and Community Development Area (CDA)
112 agreements have had on Utah's education funding over the last 10 years, study and research
113 whether there are other methods of creating economic incentives for businesses to come into
114 Utah communities without having to impact education funding at the level it is being impacted
115 today, and review other revenue sources to offset tax deferrals or credits related to economic
116 development.

117 35. Front-line Teachers Data - to study a requirement that school districts and charter
118 schools report data to the State Board of Education on the allocation of resources for front-line
119 teachers (H.B. 402).

120 36. Implementation of Civics Education - to study the implementation of 2011

121 General Session H.B. 220, Civics Education Amendments, to what extent it has been
122 implemented in schools, and if it has not been implemented, the plan to fully implement it.
123 (2011 General Session H.B. 220).

124 37. Local Replacement Funding for Charter Schools - to study modifying funding
125 provided to charter schools to replace local property taxes not available to charter schools.

126 38. Local School Board Disclosures - to study whether local school board deadlines
127 and requirements should match county deadlines or state deadlines. Local school board
128 candidates have the same reporting deadlines as state school board candidates, but local
129 candidates report to the county, not the state.

130 39. Online Education Funding - to study ways to provide funding for private and
131 homeschool students to participate in the statewide online education program.

132 40. Parental Rights to Information Regarding Teachers - to study allowing a parent to
133 move the parent's child from the classroom of a teacher if the teacher is carrying a concealed
134 firearm (H.B. 389).

135 41. Preparation for College - to study the Student Right to Know Before You Go Act.

136 42. Preschool Impact - to study the impact of preschool on the most impacted, at-risk
137 youth in Utah.

138 43. Professional Development Days for Continuing Education - to study the number of
139 high quality instruction professional development days needed to effectively provide for
140 teachers' continuing education along with the additional requirements the Legislature makes.

141 44. Public Education Funding - to study funding stabilization for public education
142 (H.B. 55).

143 45. Public School and Charter School Performance Comparison - to study and
144 compare the academic performance and administrative costs of traditional public schools and
145 charter schools having similar demographics. Also, study and compare information regarding
146 post-Oct. 1 students who return from charter schools to traditional schools and vice versa.

147 46. School Attendance, Graduation, and Achievement - to study the relationships
148 between public school student attendance, high school graduation, and student achievement.

149 47. School Board and State Board Elections - to study school board elections and State
150 Board of Education elections (H.B. 59 and H.B. 267).

151 48. School District Certified Tax Rate Change - to study changes to the calculation of

152 a school district certified tax rate if a student within the school district boundaries attends a
153 charter school.

154 49. School District Consolidation - to study the inconsistency between Utah Code
155 Sections 53A-2-102 and 53A-2-118 regarding how two or more school districts combine into
156 one.

157 50. School Finance and Budgeting - to study school-level finance as it relates to
158 school-based budgeting and competency-based budgeting, not seat time and incentivized early
159 graduation.

160 51. School Management - to study procedures to allow parents of students to petition
161 to convert the school that their children attend to a charter school.

162 52. Student Assessment - to study the administration of student assessments by a
163 private entity.

164 53. Students Connected to a Military Family - to study the creation of an identifier for
165 a student connected to a military family in the statewide education database so that the progress
166 of a child of active duty military personnel can be tracked.

167 54. UCAT Board of Trustees Makeup - to study the membership makeup of the Utah
168 College of Applied Technology (UCAT) Board of Trustees.

169 55. UCAT Funding - to study how the Utah College of Applied Technology is funded.

170 56. Department of Workforce Services - to study the functions and duties of the
171 Department of Workforce Services, including which programs fall within its responsibility.

172 57. Economic Development and Workforce Services Issues - to study issues related to
173 economic development and workforce services, including branding Utah for economic
174 development, barriers to economic development, the process of accessing and receiving
175 services from the Department of Workforce Services, a review and followup on recent audits,
176 intergenerational poverty, a review of required reports to determine whether they can be
177 consolidated, unemployment, and issues related to the Division of Services for People with
178 Disabilities, including process and waiting list issues.

179 58. Economic Gardening - to study the economic model referred to as "economic
180 gardening."

181 59. Impact of Economic Development - to study economic development and the
182 impact it has on the state.

183 60. Administrative Law Judge Amendments - to study complaints, performance
184 standards, and recommendations regarding administrative law judges (S.B. 191).

185 61. Agreements with Other States - to study how the legislative and executive
186 branches work together in establishing agreements with other states, specifically, in which
187 circumstances it is appropriate for only the governor to enter into agreements on behalf of the
188 state and when the Legislature should be part of the agreement.

189 62. Anonymous Campaign Contributions - to study the disposition of anonymous cash
190 contributions and the aggregate reporting of cash contributions (H.B. 38).

191 63. Apportionment of Legislative Seats - to study the apportionment of Utah
192 Legislative seats and the impact of "one man, one vote" on Utah's rural counties.

193 64. Attorney General by Appointment or Election - to study whether the Utah attorney
194 general should be appointed rather than elected.

195 65. Automated Geographic Reference Center Issues - to study the role of the
196 Automated Geographic Reference Center and the State Geographic Information Database, the
197 next steps for the statewide address point database, and the collaborative web mapping
198 applications.

199 66. Campaign Contribution Limits - to study whether a state office candidate, a
200 legislative office candidate, a school board office candidate, or a judge should be prohibited,
201 during any two-year period, from accepting total contributions from the same individual or
202 source in an amount of \$9,999 or more (H.B. 410).

203 67. County Office Election Cycles - to study in which election cycle certain officers
204 should be elected. For example, in some counties, the offices of clerk/treasurer and
205 auditor/recorder are combined.

206 68. Department of Technology Services - to study the role, function, and reporting of
207 the Department of Technology Services.

208 69. Disclosing Political Consulting Services - to study whether lobbyists should be
209 required to disclose the political consulting services they provide to candidates seeking public
210 office and to candidates seeking appointment to a midterm vacancy.

211 70. Election Code Amendments - to study the annual list of election code cleanup
212 issues.

213 71. Election Day Registration - to study whether voters should be allowed to register

214 to vote on election day and have their vote counted (2nd Sub. H.B. 91).

215 72. Election Notices - to study whether most election notices should continue to be
216 published in a newspaper, or the less expensive option of posting election notices electronically
217 should be the method for some or all elections.

218 73. Elector Amendments - to study a requirement that a presidential elector must cast
219 an electoral ballot for the candidate for president and vice president of the United States who
220 wins the majority vote in the state, and whether a criminal penalty should be assessed against
221 an elector who fails to cast an electoral ballot for that candidate (H.B. 368).

222 74. Fees for Government Records Requests - to study whether to require a
223 governmental entity to fulfill a records request without charge under certain circumstances
224 (H.B. 122).

225 75. Financial Disclosure Notice - to study whether electronic notice should be the
226 primary means of reminding candidates and entities of the requirement to file financial
227 disclosure reports.

228 76. GRAMA Requests to Local Governments - to study ways to address Government
229 Records Access and Management Act (GRAMA) requests made to local governments that are
230 written broadly and are typically used by marketing organizations.

231 77. Initiative, Referendum, and Petition Forms - to study ways to increase consistency
232 in the Utah Code regarding initiative, referendum, and petition forms.

233 78. Preliminary Election Results - to study whether officials should release election
234 totals periodically and, if so, how often. Current law does not allow the totals of any votes
235 counted after election day to be released until the canvass, yet more by-mail and provisional
236 ballots are being received.

237 79. Prohibiting Funds from Fines and Forfeitures from Going to the Governmental
238 Entity Imposing the Fines - to study the prohibition of fines and forfeitures that fund the
239 governmental entity that imposes them, or require fines and forfeitures to go into a permanent
240 fund of which only the interest earnings of the fund can be used for the budget by the
241 governmental agency that imposes the fines. This way fines and forfeitures would not become
242 an essential budget item for those entities. If it affects the budget it will be a delayed effect.

243 80. Public Meeting Notice - to study whether to require a public notice of not less than
244 72 hours for each public meeting if the need for a meeting is known at least 72 hours in

245 advance; whether to require that the public notice include an agenda on which all items then
246 planned to be discussed at the meeting are listed; whether the 24 hour public notice
247 requirement is satisfied if no additional items are added to the agenda; exceptions for
248 legislative meetings held for any special session, extraordinary session, or veto override
249 session, or during the period of time beginning seven days before a general session and ending
250 on the last day of the general session; and whether to prohibit a court from voiding a final
251 action taken by a public body for failure to comply with the 72 hour public notice requirements
252 (H.B. 207).

253 81. Recall Elections - to study a constitutional amendment to allow voters to do recall
254 elections.

255 82. Reducing State Vehicle Fleet - to study whether Utah should reduce the number of
256 cars in its fleet of vehicles and rely on a state rental contract issued through a Request for
257 Proposal (RFP) to handle the overflow, including universities, etc.

258 83. RFP for State Fleet Car Sales - to study whether the state's fleet car sales should be
259 privatized through an RFP process.

260 84. Special Election Dates - to study the dates on which a statewide or local special
261 election may be scheduled (H.B. 40).

262 85. Statewide Ombudsman - to study whether Utah should create a statewide
263 ombudsman and an Office of Inspector General, as some states have done.

264 86. Adoption Records Access - to study amending the procedures for disclosing
265 information in an adoption record (2nd Sub. H.B. 148).

266 87. Autism - to study autism funding.

267 88. Child Care Provider Background Checks - to study whether to require a Federal
268 Bureau of Investigation (FBI) background check for all licensed, and license-exempt, child care
269 providers.

270 89. Child Care Stipends - to study the matching of Department of Defense
271 requirements so servicemembers can use their child care stipends.

272 90. Community Health Workers - to study whether to direct the Department of
273 Health's Bureau of Health Promotion to promote the use of community health workers (S.B.
274 85).

275 91. Community Mental Health Funding - to study access to mental health services for

276 those without Medicaid. This has become a problem due to regulations that are leading
277 community mental health centers to become exclusively Medicaid providers and leaves those
278 without Medicaid few options and poor mental health care.

279 92. Consequences of Current Community Mental Health Funding Structure - to study
280 the current funding structure of community mental health centers. Due to these funding
281 structures, community mental health centers are being "forced" or incentivized to provide
282 expensive care and provide care only to Medicaid recipients. The centers are unable to
283 continue to provide mental health care to all of the community, which forces low income
284 individuals to go on Medicaid, and to stay on Medicaid, to obtain services.

285 93. Controlled Substance Database Access - to study reciprocal online access to the
286 Controlled Substance Database between health care providers in Utah and neighboring states,
287 including Idaho, Nevada, and Wyoming.

288 94. Controlled Substance Database Reporting - to study ways to address the
289 Controlled Substance Database reporting to the prescribing health care providers of multiple
290 prescribers, multiple pharmacies, and excessive controlled substance use by an individual.

291 95. Dispensing of Prescription Drugs by Medical Practitioners - to study the
292 dispensing of prescription drugs by medical practitioners, including the creation of "dispensing
293 medical practitioner" as a license classification (S.B. 280).

294 96. Electronic Prescribing and Monitoring Systems - to study an electronic prescribing
295 system that utilizes a prescriber's biometric signature, like a fingerprint, in lieu of a handwritten
296 signature or password for prescription authentication, and study a secure, real-time monitoring
297 system that utilizes a patient's biometric signature to instantly alert medication prescribers and
298 pharmacists if the medication to be prescribed or dispensed conflicts with the patient's
299 medication history or if a patient should not yet need more medication.

300 97. Long-term Care Insurance Partnership - to study ways the state can partner with
301 private industry resources to provide an incentive for individuals to obtain private long-term
302 care insurance coverage to fund their long-term care.

303 98. Medicaid and Health Insurance for Legal Immigrant Children - to study
304 amendments to the Medical Assistance Act and the Utah Children's Health Insurance Act to
305 provide Medicaid coverage and health insurance for legal immigrant children regardless of the
306 length of time the child has been in the United States (2012 General Session S.B. 41).

307 99. Medicaid Cost Control - to study changes to the Medicaid drug program to create
308 Medicaid drug cost savings (2012 General Session S.B. 85).

309 100. Medicaid Expansion - to study issues related to Medicaid expansion.

310 101. Medicaid Substitute - to study a Medicaid substitute for "charity care," including
311 a cost/benefit analysis, how to structure the program, and how the program would be overseen.

312 102. Narcolepsy Drugs - to study whether to authorize prescriptions for 90-day
313 supplies of dextroamphetamine sulphate when it is used for treatment of narcolepsy.

314 103. Obesity - to study policies that could be implemented by state and local
315 governments, in partnership with the private sector, to effectively support healthy lifestyle
316 choices and reduce obesity.

317 104. Offsetting Federal Medical Device Tax - to study whether Utah should adopt a
318 provision similar to Indiana to offset the 2.3% tax on medical devices imposed by the Patient
319 Protection and Affordable Care Act.

320 105. Patient Information Protection Amendments - to study a requirement that certain
321 health care providers that enter into a provider agreement with the state Medicaid program
322 must purchase insurance that would cover a health data breach, and a requirement that certain
323 coverage requirements must be maintained by the provider (1st Sub. S.B. 227).

324 106. Preferred Drug List for Mental Illness - to study a Medicaid preferred drug list for
325 treatment of mental illness.

326 107. Prescription Abuse - to study issues related to prescription medication not being
327 used as prescribed.

328 108. Prescription Drug Abuse and Disposal - to study ways to prevent drug abuse by
329 young people and ways to promote prescription drug disposal when taking medication is no
330 longer necessary.

331 109. Putative Father Registry and Compact - to study the creation of a national
332 putative father registry and compact through the Utah Legal Notices Website.

333 110. Circuit Court System - to study placing misdemeanors and family law in a new,
334 recreated circuit court system, leaving traffic violations in justice court with other minor
335 citations, and leaving felonies in district courts.

336 111. Civil Expungement - to study what needs to happen when a civil case is finished,
337 settled, or dismissed. Once judgment is paid, the case should disappear and not be

338 discoverable.

339 112. Civil Expungement Process - to study the creation of a judicial process for civil
340 expungement.

341 113. Court Fees for Political Subdivisions - to study how municipalities, towns, or
342 counties may be required to pay court fees under certain circumstances (S.B. 245).

343 114. Courts Structure - to study the creation of another level in the court system to
344 exclusively handle misdemeanors and family and domestic matters.

345 115. Divorce Orientation - to study divorce orientation course timing.

346 116. Early Case Resolution - to study ways to make the judicial process more efficient
347 and effective.

348 117. Eminent Domain Amendments - to study the ways in which eminent domain may
349 be used, negotiation and disclosure requirements before filing an eminent domain action, the
350 acquisition of or compensation for certain structures on acquired real property, whether a
351 condemning entity should be prohibited from occupying private real property for a public
352 purpose unless certain requirements are met, whether to require a condemning entity to
353 reimburse an owner for certain expenses, and whether to prohibit a person acting on behalf of a
354 condemning entity from acquiring real property unless the person holds a current real estate
355 license (H.B. 111).

356 118. Gateway and Soft Core Pornography Law - to study whether Utah should have a
357 law protecting children from soft core and gateway pornography.

358 119. Governmental Immunity - to study the extension of governmental immunity for
359 privatized government services.

360 120. Marriage Mediators - to study the marriage mediation process prior to a court
361 appearance.

362 121. Parent-time Amendments - to study an optional parent-time schedule that may
363 result in joint physical custody (H.B. 314).

364 122. Persons Under 18 - to study the classification of persons under the age of 18 in
365 the Utah Code.

366 123. Prejudgment Interest Revisions - to study whether Utah should update or revise
367 its prejudgment interest statutes.

368 124. Product Liability Amendments - to study product liability for defects of property

369 manufactured outside the United States (H.B. 161).

370 125. Protecting Children in Situations of Custody or Visitation - to study the
371 protection of children placed in situations of custody or visitation with parents who are
372 suspects, persons of interest, or actively involved in felony murder or homicide investigations.

373 126. Reciprocal Provision for Birth Fathers - to study whether Utah should have a
374 reciprocal provision for birth fathers who register in their home state to perfect their rights in
375 an adoption.

376 127. Recording and Transcribing Legal Proceedings - to study whether persons who
377 are not licensed as court reporters should be allowed to record depositions and other legal
378 proceedings and to prepare a transcript of those recordings.

379 128. Rights of Parents and Children Amendments - to study whether to permit a parent
380 who has been served with a petition for termination of parental rights to request a jury trial
381 (H.B. 313).

382 129. Role of Custody Evaluators - to study the role of custody evaluators in the
383 custody system and the significant impact they have on custody issues in courts, and receive
384 input on ways to reform the custody system as it relates to custody evaluators, if necessary.

385 130. Sex Offender Registration Amendments - to study changes to statutes governing
386 sex offenders.

387 131. Bicycle Helmet Law - to study whether Utah should have a mandatory helmet
388 law for children under the age of 18 who ride bicycles.

389 132. Bureau of Criminal Identification Amendments - to study whether to require the
390 Bureau of Criminal Identification to make certain information relating to whether a person may
391 possess a firearm available through computerized inquiry to a criminal justice agency (H.B.
392 406).

393 133. Competition with Private Security Companies - to study whether law
394 enforcement officers should be restricted from competing with private security companies.

395 134. Disabled Law Enforcement Officer - to study ways to provide disability benefits
396 to law enforcement officers similar to those currently provided to firefighters.

397 135. Drones - to study the use of drones against United States citizens.

398 136. Drug Testing at Pedestrian Accident Scenes - to study potential changes to statute
399 requiring law enforcement to conduct enhanced investigation and drug testing at accident

400 scenes where a pedestrian was hit and emergency medical services were activated.

401 137. Internet Sales of Nicotine Products - to study the sale, by mail order via the
402 Internet, of nicotine products.

403 138. Safety Belt Amendments - to study in what circumstances a state or local law
404 enforcement officer may take action to enforce safety belt laws, and what those actions may be
405 (S.B. 114).

406 139. Salary Comparison - to study a Utah Highway Patrol salary comparison.

407 140. Scierter in Criminal Statutes and Sentencing Guidelines - to study and review
408 Utah criminal statutes and sentencing guidelines for lack of scierter. For example, an
409 enhancement based on the use of a stolen gun does not require the defendant to know it was
410 stolen.

411 141. Statewide Access to Law Enforcement Records - to study how to establish a
412 system that ensures that law enforcement agency records systems in Utah are able to share
413 information with other law enforcement agencies within the state, including information
414 relating to drug and gang activity.

415 142. "Right to Know" Regarding Genetic Information - to study the right of consumers
416 to be given notice regarding genetic information, including the labeling of food, including
417 grains, that contain genetically modified organisms.

418 143. Air Quality Interventions - to study short and long term interventions to improve
419 air quality in Utah.

420 144. Air Quality Solutions - to study possible solutions to the current air quality
421 problem, specifically ideas to encourage the use of public transit systems.

422 145. Domestic Horses - to study how to provide for the humane treatment, slaughter,
423 and disposal of domestic horses.

424 146. Greater Canyonlands Litigation Costs - to study and determine the total amount
425 of money from all sources spent on the ongoing land lawsuit.

426 147. Interstate Agreements on Water Issues - to study what the role of the Legislature
427 should be prior to the governor or an executive branch agency entering into interstate
428 agreements, including agreements on water rights issues.

429 148. Mattress Recycling - to study the creation and implementation of a program to
430 recycle mattresses.

431 149. Protecting the Greater Canyonlands Region - to study ways to urge Congress and
432 the president to take action to protect the publicly owned, world-class resources of the Greater
433 Canyonlands region as a natural, undeveloped area for the recreational use and enjoyment of
434 Utahns and Americans for generations to come.

435 150. Rulemaking by the Division of Air Quality - to study the process utilized by the
436 Division of Air Quality to develop administrative rules.

437 151. Uniform Agriculture Cooperative Association Act Amendments - to study the
438 powers of agricultural cooperative associations and a prohibition against agricultural
439 cooperative associations unilaterally voiding or terminating a patronage refund (S.B. 288).

440 152. Water Pollution Reduction - to study ways to reduce pollution caused by
441 excessive nutrients in Utah lakes, rivers, streams, and reservoirs, emphasizing mechanisms to
442 help the agriculture industry and other nonpoint sources to reduce nutrient pollution (S.B. 216).

443 153. Wildfire Suppression - to study wildfire suppression efforts in the state.

444 154. Assessment Methods - to study calculation methods for determining an
445 assessment in an assessment area.

446 155. Conservation Easement Revisions - to study the review and approval of
447 conservation easements (H.B. 162).

448 156. Local Land Use Revisions - to study issues related to the land development
449 authority of a municipal or county land use authority and legislative body (1st Sub. H.B. 349).

450 157. Municipal Telecommunications Amendments - to study whether to require a
451 municipality that offers cable television service or public telecommunication service to charge
452 a rate that is just and reasonable for the service and whether to prohibit a municipality from
453 collecting compensation in excess of a rate, or discounting a rate (H.B. 273).

454 158. Protest Requirements - to study adequate protest requirements for assessment
455 areas.

456 159. RSS Feed for Local Government Meetings - to study the expansion of the use of
457 the Rich Site Summary (RSS) feed or other state assets for use by political subdivisions for
458 public meetings.

459 160. Wrongful Documents - to study and address documents submitted to county
460 recorders for recording that are claimed to be wrongful (H.B. 20).

461 161. Public Utilities Funding - to study funding for burying public utilities.

- 462 162. Utilities Pricing - to study competitive pricing for utilities in rural areas.
- 463 163. Clean Fuel Tax Credits - to study whether to provide income tax credits for clean
464 fuel heavy-duty vehicles.
- 465 164. Constitutional Property Tax Exemptions - to study definitions related to
466 constitutional property tax exemptions.
- 467 165. Credit Union Exemption - to study why credit unions with assets only over one
468 billion dollars are exempt from state taxes.
- 469 166. Exemption for Real Property Improvements - to study whether to provide that
470 certain site improvements to real property are exempt from taxation as inventory.
- 471 167. Impact of Taxing Entity Action on Values - to study requiring that a taxing entity
472 not be held harmless under the certified tax rate if an action by the taxing entity results in a
473 drop in values or a reduction in the growth in values.
- 474 168. Legal Tender - to study gold and silver coins as legal tender (H.B. 84).
- 475 169. Local Tax Referenda - to study local tax referenda, including requiring that
476 voting be done by mail, ensuring that such referenda will not be delayed to the next regular
477 election, placing the budget in jeopardy.
- 478 170. Municipal Energy Sales Tax Modification - to study modifying the municipal
479 energy sales and use tax to add a per unit component to the tax.
- 480 171. Privilege Tax - to study amending the privilege tax statutes to address the
481 circumstances under which the privilege tax may be imposed.
- 482 172. Property Tax Assessment and Levy - to study the property tax multicounty
483 assessing and collecting levy that provides funding for accurate property tax assessment and
484 collection.
- 485 173. Property Tax Notice - to study a requirement that a property tax notice state the
486 amount of property taxes imposed on the taxpayer that represents revenue distributed to charter
487 schools (H.B. 264).
- 488 174. Replacing Property Tax System - to study replacing the ad valorem property tax
489 system with a property tax based on a fee structure similar to what is done with vehicles.
- 490 175. Sales Tax Distribution - to study sales tax distribution and municipal finance.
- 491 176. Severance Tax Revisions - to study whether certain severance tax revenue should
492 be deposited into the education fund and the permanent state trust fund, whether to change or

493 repeal certain oil and gas severance tax exemptions, and whether to adjust certain severance tax
494 rates (H.B. 98).

495 177. Tax Credit Related to Home-based Employment - to study the enactment of a
496 corporate and individual income tax credit for employing a home-based employee.

497 178. Tax Credits for Employing the Homeless - to study nonrefundable corporate and
498 individual income tax credits for employing a homeless person (H.B. 274).

499 179. Tax Incentives Related to Medical Device Excise Tax - to study ways to provide
500 tax or economic development incentives to taxpayers who are subject to the federal medical
501 device excise tax.

502 180. Tax Rate Reduction - to study whether to reduce a property tax certified tax rate
503 when aggregate property values within a taxing entity decline.

504 181. Tax Relief for Innocent Spouse - to study issues related to providing Innocent
505 Spouse Tax Relief.

506 182. Tax to Fund Education - to study a government enterprise gross receipts tax to
507 fund education (H.B. 167).

508 183. Taxation of Telecommunications - to study issues related to the taxation of
509 telecommunications.

510 184. Eligibility Related to Utah Retirement Systems - to study the eligibility of entities
511 participating in Utah Retirement Systems and transitions due to evolving federal regulations.

512 185. GRAMA and Open Meetings Issues Related to Utah Retirement Systems - to
513 study GRAMA and open meetings issues related to Utah Retirement Systems that are not
514 resolved through legislation during the 2013 General Session.

515 186. Postretirement Employment Restrictions - to study the balance between
516 protecting the retirement fund and reducing reemployment restrictions in certain cases.

517 187. Rate of Return for Utah Retirement Systems - to study issues related to the rate of
518 return for Utah Retirement Systems.

519 188. Restrictions During Retirement - to study restrictions on retired employees.

520 189. Retirees Working Part Time - to study whether Utah should allow retired
521 employees to work part time without jeopardizing their retirement.

522 190. Retirement Benefits of Judges - to study whether Utah's judges should be subject
523 to the same Tier II retirement benefits as other state employees.

- 524 191. Retirement Records - to study public access to Utah Retirement System records.
- 525 192. Rules for Retirees - to study the education of retirees on postretirement
526 restrictions including the 60-day separation requirement and penalties if it is violated.
- 527 193. Testing for Retirement - to study whether Utah should have a website with a test
528 that people who are retiring from a Utah Retirement Systems entity would have to pass in order
529 to qualify to draw retirement.
- 530 194. Bicycles on Roadways - to study the licensing of bicycles on roadways.
- 531 195. Driver License Hearings - to study potential changes to driver license hearing
532 procedures.
- 533 196. Driver License Suspension Periods - to study the length of driver license
534 suspension periods for persons under 19 for drug or alcohol-related offenses.
- 535 197. Driving Under the Influence Penalties - to study whether to make it a felony for a
536 person who commits a driving under the influence violation if, as a proximate result of having
537 operated the vehicle in a negligent manner, a person has inflicted bodily injury upon another
538 person and the injured person has incurred more than \$30,000 in medical expenses within 30
539 days of sustaining the bodily injury (H.B. 208).
- 540 198. Functional Ability Evaluation - to study, with the participation of the Utah
541 Division of Motor Vehicles, the development of a more useful, less cumbersome method to
542 assure the safety of Utah's roads.
- 543 199. Funding of Transportation Construction Projects - to study the annual funding of
544 transportation construction projects, including the 1/4 cent transportation sales tax levied in
545 Salt Lake County, one-fourth of which is earmarked to pay off bonds used to fund construction
546 projects (see also H.B. 377).
- 547 200. Insurance Arbitration Penalties - to study and review auto insurance arbitration
548 penalties under Utah Code Section 31A-22-321.
- 549 201. Prohibiting Local Governments from Enacting Traffic Laws - to study the impact
550 of prohibiting local governments from enacting traffic laws.
- 551 202. Transit Funding - to study funding for public mass transit.
- 552 203. Transportation Solutions to Air Quality Concerns - to study what steps should be
553 taken by the state of Utah to address air quality issues during inversions, including speed limits,
554 work-from-home incentives, Utah Transit Authority incentives, carpooling incentives, etc.

555 204. State Tax Commission - to study the qualifications and appointment of members
556 of the Utah State Tax Commission. To be studied by the Tax Review Commission.

557 205. House Voting Procedures - to study House rules related to voting and abstaining
558 from voting (H.R. 1).

559 206. Public and Protected Bill Files - to study whether information on a request for
560 legislation form that identifies the name of the legislator submitting the form, the date the form
561 is submitted, and the short title assigned to the requested legislation should be public
562 information (H.B. 78).

**§→ Procurement Code Applicability to Special Districts -- to study whether, and how, to make
Title 63G, Chapter 6a, Part 23, Unlawful Conduct and Penalties, applicable to special districts.**

**Multi-state Tax Compact - - to study the multi-state tax compact to identify its costs and
benefits to the state of Utah and to the State Tax Commission regarding income tax nexus
studies, multi-state audits, and other issues related to the compact agreement.**

**Sales Tax Nexus Issues - - to study sales tax nexus issues, including online and other
retailers who do not have a physical presence in Utah or enter into agreements for delivery,
installation, repair, or services to customers in Utah.←§**

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