
Issue Brief – Custom Fit

NUMBER UCAT-07

SUMMARY

Custom Fit provides short-term, contracted training to business and industry. UCAT is an important partner in the Custom Fit program and trains employees statewide. The Analyst recommends an ongoing appropriation for Custom Fit in the amount of \$725,000.

The Analyst is also recommending a one-time appropriation of \$1 million to address specific training needs identified by the Governor's Office of Economic Development and UCAT.

OBJECTIVE

Additional funding in the Custom Fit program will allow the program to expand to provide more training for more businesses.

DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Custom Fit has been successful in serving the business community by providing the requested short-term training needed to help those businesses become stronger. This training provides an economic development emphasis across the State. A portion of the recommended \$725,000 ongoing funded would be targeted to the Salt Lake Tooele ATC to address the concern that this area is underserved by Custom Fit.

The Governor's Office of Economic Development is working on recruiting new companies to Utah. The Office could use Custom Fit funding as an additional enticement to new companies, promising them that the program could assist in training new employees to the companies' specifications. The Analyst recommends a one-time appropriation of \$1,000,000 to provide the Governor's Office of Economic Development with the availability of Custom Fit services as an additional recruitment tool.