# **Master Study Resolution Proposed Assignment of Items**

(OLRGC -- 3/27/13)

## **Executive Appropriations**

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

## **Business and Labor**

- 2. Accessing Studies of Occupational and Environmental Health to study a requirement that the Rocky Mountain Center for Occupational and Environmental Health create and maintain a website designed for the public to learn about the findings of research studies regarding occupational and environmental health, including research on the health effects of air pollution (S.B. 118). (Mayne)
- 3. Acupuncture Revisions to study revisions to Title 58, Chapter 72, Acupuncture Licensing Act. (Weiler)
- 4. Antidiscrimination Amendments to study and address discrimination on the basis of weight or height (H.B. 132). (Wiley)
  - 5. Art Therapy to study art therapy licensing. (Weiler)
  - 6. Behavioral Analysts to study the licensing of behavioral analysts (H.B. 400).

#### (Menlove)

- 7. Building Plans Examiners to study the licensing of building plans examiners. (Wiley)
- 8. Charitable Solicitations to study Title 13, Chapter 22, Charitable Solicitations Act, specifically the "professional fundraiser" permit, and annual reporting requirements. (**Stanard**)
  - 9. Construction Registry to study issues related to a state construction registry review. **(Webb)**
- 11. Credit Scores and Credit Reports to study how credit scores and credit reports are calculated and how discrepancies may impact consumers. (Jones)
- 12. Credit Service Organization Definition to study whether to modify the definition of a credit services organization to include a person that provides debt management services (H.B. 137). (**Stanard**)
- 13. Digital Billboard Advertising to study changes to current law relating to billboards and electronic or mechanical changeable message signs (S.B. 76). (Knudson)
  - 14. Discretionary Clause to study issues related to an insurance discretionary clause. **(Dunnigan)**

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

## (V. Peterson)

- 16. Licensing Alternatives to study licensing alternatives, specifically certification and registration. (Edwards)
- 18. Manufactured and Mobile Home Amendments to study the treatment of manufactured homes and mobile homes as real property (H.B. 312). (**Nielson**)
  - 19. Master License for Hotels to study a hotel master license for liquor sales.

## (Valentine)

- 20. Mobile Home Parks to study tree maintenance in mobile home parks. (Perry)
- 21. Music Therapists to study the licensing, certification, or other state recognition of music therapists (H.B. 169). **(Edwards)**
- 22. Online Study to Meet Licensing Requirements to study the allowance of online study to meet a portion of Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing Requirements. **(D. Brown)** 
  - 23. Prevailing Wage to study issues related to prevailing wage. (Davis)
- 24. Staff and Training Requirements for Bars to study a requirement that bars have at least two employees on staff at all times and study a requirement that all employees have cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training. (Cox)
- <u>3rd Sub. H.B. 228 Conference Committee Report, adopted by the Senate and </u>
  <u>House</u>, referred the following issues to interim study with a recommendation that they be "given a high priority for interim study":
  - a. H.B. 218, Alcohol Amendments (Froerer)
  - b. 1st Sub. H.B. 228, Alcoholic Beverage Control Act Amendments (Wilcox)
  - c. H.B. 350, Amendments Related to Alcohol (Oda)
  - d. S.B. 261, Amendments Related to Alcoholic Beverage Control (Valentine)
- e. Issues related to the postponement of the effective date for authorizing the transfer of certain retail licenses issued under Title 32B, Alcoholic Beverage Control Act

## Education

- 25. After School Programs to study statewide after school programs, guidelines, and definitions. (Robles)
- 26. After School Programs for At-risk Students to study ways to provide increased access to after school programs to educate and involve at-risk students during after school hours. (Robles)
- 27. Bullying and Hazing Amendments to study changes to the definition of bullying and hazing (S.B. 243). (Robles)
- 28. Bullying Prevention Programs to study and examine bullying prevention programs with data that demonstrates verifiable results. (Moss)
- 29. Career and Technical Education Funding to study a career and technical education funding model. **(H. Stephenson)**
- 30. Career and Technical Education Funding Model to study whether to require that new funding generated by the value increase in the weighted pupil unit for the Career and Technical Education District Add-on Program should be targeted to certain types of career and technical education courses. (H. Stephenson)
- 31. Child Safety and Visibility to study the use of reflective material to help prevent children from getting hit by motor vehicles while crossing streets in the dark to get to school. (**Bird**)
- 32. Dropout Reduction Strategy to study whether to allow a student, age 16 to 18, to be excused from school attendance by submitting an alternative learning plan that leads to a high school diploma or equivalent, and to study the components of an alternative learning plan and the process by which a student may qualify for an alternative learning plan. (**H. Stephenson**)
- 33. Elementary Education Coteaching to study the creation of an Elementary Education Coteaching Pilot Program (S.B. 287). **(Valentine and Bird)**
- 34. Financial Impact of RDAs and CDAs on Education Funding in Utah to study the impact that Redevelopment Agency (RDA) and Community Development Area (CDA) agreements have had on Utah's education funding over the last 10 years, study and research whether there are other methods of creating economic incentives for businesses to come into Utah communities without having to impact education funding at the level it is being impacted today, and review other revenue sources to offset tax deferrals or credits related to economic development. (Osmond)
- 35. Front-line Teachers Data to study a requirement that school districts and charter schools report data to the State Board of Education on the allocation of resources for front-line teachers (H.B. 402). (Nielson)
- 36. Implementation of Civics Education to study the implementation of 2011 General Session H.B. 220, Civics Education Amendments, to what extent it has been implemented in schools, and if it has not been implemented, the plan to fully implement it. (2011 General Session H.B. 220). (Ivory)
- 37. Local Replacement Funding for Charter Schools to study modifying funding provided to charter schools to replace local property taxes not available to charter schools. **(H. Stephenson)**

- 39. Online Education Funding to study ways to provide funding for private and home school students to participate in the statewide online education program. (H. Stephenson)
- 40. Parental Rights to Information Regarding Teachers to study allowing a parent to move the parent's child from the classroom of a teacher if the teacher is carrying a concealed firearm (H.B. 389). (Moss)
  - 41. Preparation for College to study the Student Right to Know Before You Go Act.

## (H. Stephenson)

- 42. Preschool Impact to study the impact of preschool on the most impacted, at-risk youth in Utah. **(Osmond)**
- 43. Professional Development Days for Continuing Education to study the number of high quality instruction professional development days needed to effectively provide for teachers' continuing education along with the additional requirements the Legislature makes. (Cosgrove)
- 44. Public Education Funding to study funding stabilization for public education (H.B. 55). (**Briscoe**)
- 45. Public School and Charter School Performance Comparison to study and compare the academic performance and administrative costs of traditional public schools and charter schools having similar demographics. Also, study and compare information regarding post-Oct. 1 students who return from charter schools to traditional schools and vice versa. (Jones)
- 46. School Attendance, Graduation, and Achievement to study the relationships between public school student attendance, high school graduation, and student achievement. (**Briscoe**)
- 48. School District Certified Tax Rate Change to study changes to the calculation of a school district certified tax rate if a student within the school district boundaries attends a charter school. **(H. Stephenson)**
- 49. School District Consolidation to study the inconsistency between Utah Code Sections 53A-2-102 and 53A-2-118 regarding how two or more school districts combine into one. (**Draxler**)
- 50. School Finance and Budgeting to study school-level finance as it relates to school-based budgeting and competency-based budgeting, not seat time and incentivized early graduation. (H. Stephenson)
- 51. School Management to study procedures to allow parents of students to petition to convert the school that their children attend to a charter school. (H. Stephenson)
- 52. Student Assessment to study the administration of student assessments by a private entity. (H. Stephenson)
- 53. Students Connected to a Military Family to study the creation of an identifier for a student connected to a military family in the statewide education database so that the progress of a child of active duty military personnel can be tracked. (**Hemingway**)
- 54. UCAT Board of Trustees Makeup to study the membership makeup of the Utah College of Applied Technology (UCAT) Board of Trustees. (H. Stephenson)
  - 55. UCAT Funding to study how the Utah College of Applied Technology is funded. **(H. Stephenson)**

## **Economic Development and Workforce Services**

- 56. Department of Workforce Services to study the functions and duties of the Department of Workforce Services, including which programs fall within its responsibility. **(Romero)**
- 57. Economic Development and Workforce Services Issues to study issues related to economic development and workforce services, including branding Utah for economic development, barriers to economic development, the process of accessing and receiving services from the Department of Workforce Services, a review and followup on recent audits, intergenerational poverty, a review of required reports to determine whether they can be consolidated, unemployment, and issues related to the Division of Services for People with Disabilities, including process and waiting list issues. (Edwards)
- 58. Economic Gardening to study the economic model referred to as "economic gardening." (Wilson)
- 59. Impact of Economic Development to study economic development [tourism] and the impact it has on the state. (**Romero**)

# **Government Operations**

- 38. Local School Board Disclosures to study whether local school board deadlines and requirements should match county deadlines or state deadlines. Local school board candidates have the same reporting deadlines as state school board candidates, but local candidates report to the county, not the state. (**Draxler**)
- 47. School Board and State Board Elections to study school board elections and State Board of Education elections (H.B. 59 and H.B. 267). (Nielson)
- 60. Administrative Law Judge Amendments to study complaints, performance standards, and recommendations regarding administrative law judges (S.B. 191). (Mayne)
- 61. Agreements with Other States to study how the legislative and executive branches work together in establishing agreements with other states, specifically, in which circumstances it is appropriate for only the governor to enter into agreements on behalf of the state and when the Legislature should be part of the agreement. (Nelson)
- 62. Anonymous Campaign Contributions to study the disposition of anonymous cash contributions and the aggregate reporting of cash contributions (H.B. 38). **(Powell)**
- 63. Apportionment of Legislative Seats to study the apportionment of Utah Legislative seats and the impact of "one man, one vote" on Utah's rural counties. (Jerry Anderson)
- 64. Attorney General by Appointment or Election to study whether the Utah attorney general should be appointed rather than elected. **(Weiler)**
- 66. Campaign Contribution Limits to study whether a state office candidate, a legislative office candidate, a school board office candidate, or a judge should be prohibited, during any two-year period, from accepting total contributions from the same individual or source in an amount of \$9,999 or more (H.B. 410). **(Powell)**

- 67. County Office Election Cycles to study in which election cycle certain officers should be elected. For example, in some counties, the offices of clerk/treasurer and auditor/recorder are combined. (**Draxler**)
- 69. Disclosing Political Consulting Services to study whether lobbyists should be required to disclose the political consulting services they provide to candidates seeking public office and to candidates seeking appointment to a midterm vacancy. (Weiler)
  - 70. Election Code Amendments to study the annual list of election code cleanup issues. **(Draxler)**
- 71. Election Day Registration to study whether voters should be allowed to register to vote on election day and have their vote counted (2nd Sub. H.B. 91). (**Draxler**)
- 72. Election Notices to study whether most election notices should continue to be published in a newspaper, or the less expensive option of posting election notices electronically should be the method for some or all elections. (**Draxler**)
- 73. Elector Amendments to study a requirement that a presidential elector must cast an electoral ballot for the candidate for president and vice president of the United States who wins the majority vote in the state, and whether a criminal penalty should be assessed against an elector who fails to cast an electoral ballot for that candidate (H.B. 368). (King)
- 74. Fees for Government Records Requests to study whether to require a governmental entity to fulfill a records request without charge under certain circumstances (H.B. 122). (King)
- 75. Financial Disclosure Notice to study whether electronic notice should be the primary means of reminding candidates and entities of the requirement to file financial disclosure reports. (**Draxler**)
- 76. GRAMA Requests to Local Governments to study ways to address Government Records Access and Management Act (GRAMA) requests made to local governments that are written broadly and are typically used by marketing organizations. (Handy)
- 77. Initiative, Referendum, and Petition Forms to study ways to increase consistency in the Utah Code regarding initiative, referendum, and petition forms. **(Draxler)**
- 78. Preliminary Election Results to study whether officials should release election totals periodically and, if so, how often. Current law does not allow the totals of any votes counted after election day to be released until the canvass, yet more by-mail and provisional ballots are being received. (**Draxler**)
- 79. Prohibiting Funds from Fines and Forfeitures from Going to the Governmental Entity Imposing the Fines to study the prohibition of fines and forfeitures that fund the governmental entity that imposes them, or require fines and forfeitures to go into a permanent fund of which only the interest earnings of the fund can be used for the budget by the governmental agency that imposes the fines. This way fines and forfeitures would not become an essential budget item for those entities. If it affects the budget it will be a delayed effect. **(H. Stephenson)**
- 80. Public Meeting Notice to study whether to require a public notice of not less than 72 hours for each public meeting if the need for a meeting is known at least 72 hours in advance; whether to require that the public notice include an agenda on which all items then planned to be discussed at the meeting are listed; whether the 24 hour public notice requirement is satisfied if no additional items are added to the agenda; exceptions for legislative meetings held for any special session, extraordinary session, or veto override session, or during the period of time

beginning seven days before a general session and ending on the last day of the general session; and whether to prohibit a court from voiding a final action taken by a public body for failure to comply with the 72 hour public notice requirements (H.B. 207). (Powell)

- 81. Recall Elections to study a constitutional amendment to allow voters to do recall elections. (Perry)
- 82. Reducing State Vehicle Fleet to study whether Utah should reduce the number of cars in its fleet of vehicles and rely on a state rental contract issued through a Request for Proposal (RFP) to handle the overflow, including universities, etc. (Weiler)
- 83. RFP for State Fleet Car Sales to study whether the state's fleet car sales should be privatized through an RFP process. (Weiler)
- 84. Special Election Dates to study the dates on which a statewide or local special election may be scheduled (H.B. 40). **(Powell)**
- 85. Statewide Ombudsman to study whether Utah should create a statewide ombudsman and an Office of Inspector General, as some states have done. (Weiler)
- 119. Governmental Immunity to study the extension of governmental immunity for privatized government services. **(D. Brown)**
- 207. 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. (Jenkins)

## **Health and Human Services**

- 10. Continuing Education for Massage Therapists to study whether to require continuing education requirements as a condition of license renewal as a massage therapist (H.B. 351). (House Health and Human Services Standing Committee)
- 17. Licensing of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses to study changes to the licensure of Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) interns so they will be more likely to remain in Utah after they finish their training at the University of Utah. (**Redd**)
- 86. Adoption Records Access to study amending the procedures for disclosing information in an adoption record (2nd Sub. H.B. 148). (Nielson)
  - 87. Autism to study autism funding. (Shiozawa)
- 88. Child Care Provider Background Checks to study whether to require a Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) background check for all licensed, and license-exempt, child care providers. (Cosgrove)
- 89. Child Care Stipends to study the matching of Department of Defense requirements so servicemembers can use their child care stipends. (Cosgrove)
- 90. Community Health Workers to study whether to direct the Department of Health's Bureau of Health Promotion to promote the use of community health workers (S.B. 85). (Robles)
- 91. Community Mental Health Funding to study access to mental health services for those without Medicaid. This has become a problem due to regulations that are leading community mental health centers to become exclusively Medicaid providers and leaves those without Medicaid few options and poor mental health care. (**Redd**)

- 92. Consequences of Current Community Mental Health Funding Structure to study the current funding structure of community mental health centers. Due to these funding structures, community mental health centers are being "forced" or incentivized to provide expensive care and provide care only to Medicaid recipients. The centers are unable to continue to provide mental health care to all of the community, which forces low income individuals to go on Medicaid, and to stay on Medicaid, to obtain services. (**Redd**)
- 93. Controlled Substance Database Access to study reciprocal online access to the Controlled Substance Database between health care providers in Utah and neighboring states, including Idaho, Nevada, and Wyoming. (**Redd**)
- 94. Controlled Substance Database Reporting to study ways to address the Controlled Substance Database reporting to the prescribing health care providers of multiple prescribers, multiple pharmacies, and excessive controlled substance use by an individual. (**Redd**)
- 95. Dispensing of Prescription Drugs by Medical Practitioners to study the dispensing of prescription drugs by medical practitioners, including the creation of "dispensing medical practitioner" as a license classification (S.B. 280). (Senate Health and Human Services Standing Committee and Vickers)
- 96. Electronic Prescribing and Monitoring Systems to study an electronic prescribing system that utilizes a prescriber's biometric signature, like a fingerprint, in lieu of a handwritten signature or password for prescription authentication, and study a secure, real-time monitoring system that utilizes a patient's biometric signature to instantly alert medication prescribers and pharmacists if the medication to be prescribed or dispensed conflicts with the patient's medication history or if a patient should not yet need more medication. (Ray)
- 97. Long-term Care Insurance Partnership to study ways the state can partner with private industry resources to provide an incentive for individuals to obtain private long-term care insurance coverage to fund their long-term care. (Weiler)
- 98. Medicaid and Health Insurance for Legal Immigrant Children to study amendments to the Medical Assistance Act and the Utah Children's Health Insurance Act to provide Medicaid coverage and health insurance for legal immigrant children regardless of the length of time the child has been in the United States (2012 General Session S.B. 41). (**Redd**)
- 99. Medicaid Cost Control to study changes to the Medicaid drug program to create Medicaid drug cost savings (2012 General Session S.B. 85). (**Redd**)
  - 100. Medicaid Expansion to study issues related to Medicaid expansion. (Duckworth)
- 101. Medicaid Substitute to study a Medicaid substitute for "charity care," including a cost/benefit analysis, how to structure the program, and how the program would be overseen. **(Anderegg)**
- 102. Narcolepsy Drugs to study whether to authorize prescriptions for 90-day supplies of dextroamphetamine sulphate when it is used for treatment of narcolepsy. (Arent)
- 103. Obesity to study policies that could be implemented by state and local governments, in partnership with the private sector, to effectively support healthy lifestyle choices and reduce obesity. (Ray)
- 104. Offsetting Federal Medical Device Tax to study whether Utah should adopt a provision similar to Indiana to offset the 2.3% tax on medical devices imposed by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. (Weiler)

- 105. Patient Information Protection Amendments to study a requirement that certain health care providers that enter into a provider agreement with the state Medicaid program must purchase insurance that would cover a health data breach, and a requirement that certain coverage requirements must be maintained by the provider (1st Sub. S.B. 227). (Urquhart)
- 106. Preferred Drug List for Mental Illness to study a Medicaid preferred drug list for treatment of mental illness. (**Redd**)
- 107. Prescription Abuse to study issues related to prescription medication not being used as prescribed. (V. Peterson)
- 108. Prescription Drug Abuse and Disposal to study ways to prevent drug abuse by young people and ways to promote prescription drug disposal when taking medication is no longer necessary. (**Perry**)
- 109. Putative Father Registry and Compact to study the creation of a national putative father registry and compact through the Utah Legal Notices Website. (**Robles**)

# **Judiciary**

- 110. Circuit Court System to study placing misdemeanors and family law in a new, recreated circuit court system, leaving traffic violations in justice court with other minor citations, and leaving felonies in district courts. (J. Peterson)
- 111. Civil Expungement to study what needs to happen when a civil case is finished, settled, or dismissed. Once judgment is paid, the case should disappear and not be discoverable. **(D. Brown)**
- 112. Civil Expungement Process to study the creation of a judicial process for civil expungement. **(D. Brown)**
- 113. Court Fees for Political Subdivisions to study how municipalities, towns, or counties may be required to pay court fees under certain circumstances (S.B. 245). (**Thatcher**)
- 114. Courts Structure to study the creation of another level in the court system to exclusively handle misdemeanors and family and domestic matters. (J. Peterson)
  - 115. Divorce Orientation to study divorce orientation course timing. (Nielson)
- 116. Early Case Resolution to study ways to make the judicial process more efficient and effective. (Seelig)
- 120. Marriage Mediators to study the marriage mediation process prior to a court appearance. (Mayne)
- 121. Parent-time Amendments to study an optional parent-time schedule that may result in joint physical custody (H.B. 314). **(V. Peterson)**
- 122. Persons Under 18 to study the classification of persons under the age of 18 in the Utah Code. **(Seelig)**
- 123. Prejudgment Interest Revisions to study whether Utah should update or revise its prejudgment interest statutes. (Weiler)
- 124. Product Liability Amendments to study product liability for defects of property manufactured outside the United States (H.B. 161). (McKell)

- 125. Protecting Children in Situations of Custody or Visitation to study the protection of children placed in situations of custody or visitation with parents who are suspects, persons of interest, or actively involved in felony murder or homicide investigations. (Weiler)
- 126. Reciprocal Provision for Birth Fathers to study whether Utah should have a reciprocal provision for birth fathers who register in their home state to perfect their rights in an adoption. (Weiler)
- 127. Recording and Transcribing Legal Proceedings to study whether persons who are not licensed as court reporters should be allowed to record depositions and other legal proceedings and to prepare a transcript of those recordings. (Weiler)
- 128. Rights of Parents and Children Amendments to study whether to permit a parent who has been served with a petition for termination of parental rights to request a jury trial (H.B. 313). (Christensen)
- 129. Role of Custody Evaluators to study the role of custody evaluators in the custody system and the significant impact they have on custody issues in courts, and receive input on ways to reform the custody system as it relates to custody evaluators, if necessary. (Oda <u>and</u> Hillyard)

#### Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice

- 118. Gateway and Soft Core Pornography Law to study whether Utah should have a law protecting children from soft core and gateway pornography. (Weiler)
- 130. Sex Offender Registration Amendments to study changes to statutes governing sex offenders. (Ray)
- 131. Bicycle Helmet Law to study whether Utah should have a mandatory helmet law for children under the age of 18 who ride bicycles. (Weiler)
- 132. Bureau of Criminal Identification Amendments to study whether to require the Bureau of Criminal Identification to make certain information relating to whether a person may possess a firearm available through computerized inquiry to a criminal justice agency (H.B. 406). (Perry)
- 133. Competition with Private Security Companies to study whether law enforcement officers should be restricted from competing with private security companies. (Weiler)
- 134. Disabled Law Enforcement Officer to study ways to provide disability benefits to law enforcement officers similar to those currently provided to firefighters. (**Perry**)
  - 135. Drones to study the use of drones against United States citizens. (H. Stephenson)
- 136. Drug Testing at Pedestrian Accident Scenes to study potential changes to statute requiring law enforcement to conduct enhanced investigation and drug testing at accident scenes where a pedestrian was hit and emergency medical services were activated. (Lockhart)
- 137. Internet Sales of Nicotine Products to study the sale, by mail order via the Internet, of nicotine products. **(Ray)**
- 138. Safety Belt Amendments to study in what circumstances a state or local law enforcement officer may take action to enforce safety belt laws, and what those actions may be (S.B. 114). (Robles)

- 139. Salary Comparison to study a Utah Highway Patrol salary comparison. **(Greenwood)**
- 140. Scienter in Criminal Statutes and Sentencing Guidelines to study and review Utah criminal statutes and sentencing guidelines for lack of scienter. For example, an enhancement based on the use of a stolen gun does not require the defendant to know it was stolen. (**Tanner**)
- 141. Statewide Access to Law Enforcement Records to study how to establish a system that ensures that law enforcement agency records systems in Utah are able to share information with other law enforcement agencies within the state, including information relating to drug and gang activity. (Ray)

# Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment

- 142. "Right to Know" Regarding Genetic Information to study the right of consumers to be given notice regarding genetic information, including the labeling of food, including grains, that contain genetically modified organisms. (**Stratton**)
- 143. Air Quality Interventions to study short and long term interventions to improve air quality in Utah. (**Redd**)
- 144. Air Quality Solutions to study possible solutions to the current air quality problem, specifically ideas to encourage the use of public transit systems. (**Poulson**)
- 145. Domestic Horses to study how to provide for the humane treatment, slaughter, and disposal of domestic horses. (Anderegg)
- 146. Greater Canyonlands Litigation Costs to study and determine the total amount of money from all sources spent on the ongoing land lawsuit. (**Dabakis**)
- 147. Interstate Agreements on Water Issues to study what the role of the Legislature should be prior to the governor or an executive branch agency entering into interstate agreements, including agreements on water rights issues. (Nelson)
- 148. Mattress Recycling to study the creation and implementation of a program to recycle mattresses. (Arent)
- 149. Protecting the Greater Canyonlands Region to study ways to urge Congress and the president to take action to protect the publicly owned, world-class resources of the Greater Canyonlands region as a natural, undeveloped area for the recreational use and enjoyment of Utahns and Americans for generations to come. (**Dabakis**)
- 150. Rulemaking by the Division of Air Quality to study the process utilized by the Division of Air Quality to develop administrative rules. (Wiley)
- 151. Uniform Agriculture Cooperative Association Act Amendments to study the powers of agricultural cooperative associations and a prohibition against agricultural cooperative associations unilaterally voiding or terminating a patronage refund (S.B. 288). (Hinkins)
- 152. Water Pollution Reduction to study ways to reduce pollution caused by excessive nutrients in Utah lakes, rivers, streams, and reservoirs, emphasizing mechanisms to help the agriculture industry and other nonpoint sources to reduce nutrient pollution (S.B. 216).

## (Van Tassell)

153. Wildfire Suppression - to study wildfire suppression efforts in the state. (Briscoe)

## **Political Subdivisions**

- 117. Eminent Domain Amendments to study the ways in which eminent domain may be used, negotiation and disclosure requirements before filing an eminent domain action, the acquisition of or compensation for certain structures on acquired real property, whether a condemning entity should be prohibited from occupying private real property for a public purpose unless certain requirements are met, whether to require a condemning entity to reimburse an owner for certain expenses, and whether to prohibit a person acting on behalf of a condemning entity from acquiring real property unless the person holds a current real estate license (H.B. 111). (Perry)
- 154. Assessment Methods to study calculation methods for determining an assessment in an assessment area. **(H. Stephenson)**
- 155. Conservation Easement Revisions to study the review and approval of conservation easements (H.B. 162). (McKell)
- 156. Local Land Use Revisions to study issues related to the land development authority of a municipal or county land use authority and legislative body (1st Sub. H.B. 349). (House Political Subdivisions Standing Committee and Webb)
- 157. Municipal Telecommunications Amendments to study whether to require a municipality that offers cable television service or public telecommunication service to charge a rate that is just and reasonable for the service and whether to prohibit a municipality from collecting compensation in excess of a rate, or discounting a rate (H.B. 273). (House Political Subdivisions Standing Committee and Grover)
  - 158. Protest Requirements to study adequate protest requirements for assessment areas. **(Webb)**
- 159. RSS Feed for Local Government Meetings to study the expansion of the use of the Rich Site Summary (RSS) feed or other state assets for use by political subdivisions for public meetings. (**Henderson**)
- 160. Wrongful Documents to study and address documents submitted to county recorders for recording that are claimed to be wrongful (H.B. 20). (Webb)

# **Public Utilities and Technology**

- 65. Automated Geographic Reference Center Issues to study the role of the Automated Geographic Reference Center and the State Geographic Information Database, the next steps for the statewide address point database, and the collaborative web mapping applications. (Barrus)
- 68. Department of Technology Services to study the role, function, and reporting of the Department of Technology Services. (Menlove)
  - 161. Public Utilities Funding to study funding for burying public utilities. (Briscoe)
  - 162. Utilities Pricing to study competitive pricing for utilities in rural areas. (Okerlund)

## **Revenue and Taxation**

- 163. Clean Fuel Tax Credits to study whether to provide income tax credits for clean fuel heavy-duty vehicles. (**Redd**)
- 164. Constitutional Property Tax Exemptions to study definitions related to constitutional property tax exemptions. (**Bramble**)
- 165. Credit Union Exemption to study why credit unions with assets only over one billion dollars are exempt from state taxes. (**Westwood**)
- 166. Exemption for Real Property Improvements to study whether to provide that certain site improvements to real property are exempt from taxation as inventory.

# (H. Stephenson)

- 167. Impact of Taxing Entity Action on Values to study requiring that a taxing entity not be held harmless under the certified tax rate if an action by the taxing entity results in a drop in values or a reduction in the growth in values. (**H. Stephenson**)
  - 168. Legal Tender to study gold and silver coins as legal tender (H.B. 84).

## (House Revenue and Taxation Standing Committee)

- 169. Local Tax Referenda to study local tax referenda, including requiring that voting be done by mail, ensuring that such referenda will not be delayed to the next regular election, placing the budget in jeopardy. **(H. Stephenson)**
- 170. Municipal Energy Sales Tax Modification to study modifying the municipal energy sales and use tax to add a per unit component to the tax. (**Bramble**)
- 171. Privilege Tax to study amending the privilege tax statutes to address the circumstances under which the privilege tax may be imposed. (**Pitcher**)
- 172. Property Tax Assessment and Levy to study the property tax multicounty assessing and collecting levy that provides funding for accurate property tax assessment and collection. **(Harper)**
- 173. Property Tax Notice to study a requirement that a property tax notice state the amount of property taxes imposed on the taxpayer that represents revenue distributed to charter schools (H.B. 264). (Powell)
- 174. Replacing Property Tax System to study replacing the ad valorem property tax system with a property tax based on a fee structure similar to what is done with vehicles. **(Nelson)** 
  - 175. Sales Tax Distribution to study sales tax distribution and municipal finance. (Nielson)
- 176. Severance Tax Revisions to study whether certain severance tax revenue should be deposited into the education fund and the permanent state trust fund, whether to change or repeal certain oil and gas severance tax exemptions, and whether to adjust certain severance tax rates (H.B. 98). (House Revenue and Taxation Standing Committee)
- 177. Tax Credit Related to Home-based Employment to study the enactment of a corporate and individual income tax credit for employing a home-based employee. **(Froerer)**
- 178. Tax Credits for Employing the Homeless to study nonrefundable corporate and individual income tax credits for employing a homeless person (H.B. 274). (**King**)

- 179. Tax Incentives Related to Medical Device Excise Tax to study ways to provide tax or economic development incentives to taxpayers who are subject to the federal medical device excise tax. (Weiler)
- 180. Tax Rate Reduction to study whether to reduce a property tax certified tax rate when aggregate property values within a taxing entity decline. (H. Stephenson)
- 181. Tax Relief for Innocent Spouse to study issues related to providing Innocent Spouse Tax Relief. (Hillyard)
- 182. Tax to Fund Education to study a government enterprise gross receipts tax to fund education (H.B. 167). (Johnny Anderson)
- 183. Taxation of Telecommunications to study issues related to the taxation of telecommunications. (**Bramble**)
- 208. 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. (Harper)
- 209. 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. (Harper)

# **Retirement and Independent Entities**

- 184. Eligibility Related to Utah Retirement Systems to study the eligibility of entities participating in Utah Retirement Systems and transitions due to evolving federal regulations. (Weiler)
- 185. GRAMA and Open Meetings Issues Related to Utah Retirement Systems to study GRAMA and open meetings issues related to Utah Retirement Systems that are not resolved through legislation during the 2013 General Session. (**Powell**)
- 186. Postretirement Employment Restrictions to study the balance between protecting the retirement fund and reducing reemployment restrictions in certain cases. (Hillyard)
- 187. Rate of Return for Utah Retirement Systems to study issues related to the rate of return for Utah Retirement Systems. **(Powell)** 
  - 188. Restrictions During Retirement to study restrictions on retired employees. (Perry)
- 189. Retirees Working Part Time to study whether Utah should allow retired employees to work part time without jeopardizing their retirement. (Weiler)
- 190. Retirement Benefits of Judges to study whether Utah's judges should be subject to the same Tier II retirement benefits as other state employees. (Weiler)
  - 191. Retirement Records to study public access to Utah Retirement System records. **(Weiler)**
- 192. Rules for Retirees to study the education of retirees on postretirement restrictions including the 60-day separation requirement and penalties if it is violated. (Weiler)
- 193. Testing for Retirement to study whether Utah should have a website with a test that people who are retiring from a Utah Retirement Systems entity would have to pass in order to qualify to draw retirement. (Weiler)

## **Transportation**

- 194. Bicycles on Roadways to study the licensing of bicycles on roadways. (Johnny Anderson)
- 195. Driver License Hearings to study potential changes to driver license hearing procedures. **(Valentine)**
- 196. Driver License Suspension Periods to study the length of driver license suspension periods for persons under 19 for drug or alcohol-related offenses. (Hillyard)
- 197. Driving Under the Influence Penalties to study whether to make it a felony for a person who commits a driving under the influence violation if, as a proximate result of having operated the vehicle in a negligent manner, a person has inflicted bodily injury upon another person and the injured person has incurred more than \$30,000 in medical expenses within 30 days of sustaining the bodily injury (H.B. 208). (McKell)
- 198. Functional Ability Evaluation to study, with the participation of the Utah Division of Motor Vehicles, the development of a more useful, less cumbersome method to assure the safety of Utah's roads. **(Kennedy)**
- 199. Funding of Transportation Construction Projects to study the annual funding of transportation construction projects, including the 1/4 cent transportation sales tax levied in Salt Lake County, one-fourth of which is earmarked to pay off bonds used to fund construction projects (see also H.B. 377). (Van Tassell)
- 200. Insurance Arbitration Penalties to study and review auto insurance arbitration penalties under Utah Code Section 31A-22-321. (McKell)
- 201. Prohibiting Local Governments from Enacting Traffic Laws to study the impact of prohibiting local governments from enacting traffic laws. (**Tanner**)
  - 202. Transit Funding to study funding for public mass transit. (Briscoe)
- 203. Transportation Solutions to Air Quality Concerns to study what steps should be taken by the state of Utah to address air quality issues during inversions, including speed limits, work-from-home incentives, Utah Transit Authority incentives, carpooling incentives, etc. (Weiler)

## **Tax Review Commission**

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

# **Legislative Process Committee**

205. House Voting Procedures - to study House rules related to voting and abstaining from voting (H.R. 1). (House Rules Committee and Nielson)

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