

Part 3
Drafting and Approval of Legislation by Office
of Legislative Research and General Counsel

JR4-2-301 Drafting and sponsor approval of legislation.

- (1) After receiving a request for legislation, the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel shall:
 - (a) review the request and any accompanying draft; and
 - (b) draft the legislation for approval by the sponsor.
- (2) In drafting the legislation, the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel shall, when applicable:
 - (a) ensure that the legislation is in proper legal form;
 - (b) remove any ambiguities;
 - (c) avoid constitutional or statutory conflicts; and
 - (d) correct technical errors as provided in Utah Code Section 36-12-12.
- (3)
 - (a) Any request for legislation filed directly with the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, with a complete accompanying draft, shall be reviewed and approved by the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel within three legislative days.
 - (b) This three day deadline may be extended if the director of the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel requests it and states the reasons for the delay.
- (4) When the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel has completed the legislation, the office shall:
 - (a) send the legislation to the chief sponsor for review and approval; and
 - (b) after the chief sponsor approves the legislation, number and distribute the legislation as provided in JR4-2-503.