

JURISDICTION IN UTAH COURTS

1998 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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AN ACT RELATING TO JUDICIAL CODE; EXTENDING JURISDICTION OVER DEFENDANTS FOR CLAIMS RELATING TO CERTAIN CONTACTS WITHIN THE STATE.

This act affects sections of Utah Code Annotated 1953 as follows:

AMENDS:

78-27-24, as last amended by Chapter 277, Laws of Utah 1992

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

Section 1. Section **78-27-24** is amended to read:

78-27-24. Jurisdiction over nonresidents -- Acts submitting person to jurisdiction.

Any person, notwithstanding Section 16-10a-1501, whether or not a citizen or resident of this state, who in person or through an agent does any of the following enumerated acts, submits himself, and if an individual, his personal representative, to the jurisdiction of the courts of this state as to any claim arising [~~from~~] out of or related to:

- (1) the transaction of any business within this state;
- (2) contracting to supply services or goods in this state;
- (3) the causing of any injury within this state whether tortious or by breach of warranty;
- (4) the ownership, use, or possession of any real estate situated in this state;
- (5) contracting to insure any person, property, or risk located within this state at the time of contracting;

- (6) with respect to actions of divorce, separate maintenance, or child support, having resided, in the marital relationship, within this state notwithstanding subsequent departure from the state; or the commission in this state of the act giving rise to the claim, so long as that act is not a mere omission, failure to act, or occurrence over which the defendant had no control; or

(7) the commission of sexual intercourse within this state which gives rise to a paternity suit under Title 78, Chapter 45a, to determine paternity for the purpose of establishing responsibility for child support.