

UTAH SEISMIC SAFETY COMMISSION ACT

AMENDMENTS

2000 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Sponsor: Don E. Bush

AN ACT RELATING TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS; MODIFYING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE UTAH SEISMIC SAFETY COMMISSION; ESTABLISHING FUNDING PARAMETERS; AND MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.

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

AMENDS:

63C-6-101, as last amended by Chapter 270, Laws of Utah 1999

63C-6-102, as enacted by Chapter 136, Laws of Utah 1994

63C-6-104, as enacted by Chapter 136, Laws of Utah 1994

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

Section 1. Section **63C-6-101** is amended to read:

63C-6-101. Creation of commission -- Membership -- Appointment -- Vacancies.

(1) There is created the Utah Seismic Safety Commission consisting of ~~[13]~~ 15 members, designated as follows:

~~[(a) the commissioner of the Department of Public Safety;]~~

~~[(b)]~~ (a) the director of the Division of Comprehensive Emergency Management or his designee;

~~[(c)]~~ (b) the director of the Utah Geological Survey or his designee;

~~[(d)]~~ (c) the director of the University of Utah Seismograph Stations or his designee;

~~[(e)]~~ (d) the executive director of the Utah League of Cities and Towns or his designee;

~~[(f)]~~ (e) a representative from the Structural Engineers Association of Utah biannually selected by ~~[the]~~ its membership;

~~[(g)]~~ (f) the director of the Division of Facilities and Construction Management or his designee;

~~[(h)]~~ (g) the executive director of the Department of Transportation or his designee;

- ~~[(†)]~~ (h) the State Planning Coordinator or his designee;
- ~~[(‡)]~~ (i) a representative from the American Institute of Architects, Utah Section;
- ~~[(k)]~~ (j) a representative from the American Society of Civil Engineers, Utah Section;
- ~~[(†)]~~ (k) a member of the House of Representatives appointed biannually by the speaker of the House; ~~[and]~~
- ~~[(m)]~~ (l) a member of the Senate appointed biannually by the president of the Senate[-];
- (m) the commissioner of the Department of Insurance or his designee;
- (n) a representative from the Association of Contingency Planners, Utah Chapter, biannually selected by its membership; and
- (o) a representative from the American Public Works Association, Utah Chapter, biannually selected by its membership.

(2) The commission shall annually select one of its members to serve as chair of the commission.

(3) When a vacancy occurs in the membership for any reason, the replacement shall be appointed for the unexpired term.

Section 2. Section **63C-6-102** is amended to read:

63C-6-102. Meetings -- Duties -- Committees.

- (1) The commission shall meet at the call of the chair, but not less than once each quarter.
- (2) The commission shall:
 - (a) review earthquake-related hazards and risks to the state of Utah and its inhabitants;
 - (b) prepare recommendations to identify and mitigate these hazards and risks;
 - (c) prioritize recommendations and present them to state and local government or other appropriate entities for adoption as policy or loss reduction strategies;
 - (d) act as a source of information for individuals and groups concerned with earthquake safety and as a promoter of earthquake loss reduction measures;
 - (e) prepare a strategic seismic planning document to be presented to the State and Local Interim Committee before the 1995 annual general session of the Legislature; and
 - (f) periodically update the planning document and monitor progress toward achieving the

goal of loss reduction.

(3) The commission may:

(a) divide into or create subcommittees as it determines necessary to carry out its duties under this section[-]; and

(b) accept contributions from other private or public sources and seek grants or funding from the federal government for uses relating to seismic safety.

Section 3. Section **63C-6-104** is amended to read:

63C-6-104. Staffing and appropriated funds.

(1) Staff support to the commission shall be provided by the Division of Comprehensive Emergency Management and the Utah Geological Survey.

(2) Monies not expended by the Utah Seismic Safety Commission during a fiscal year are nonlapsing except that any balance of General Fund monies greater than \$10,000 lapses to the General Fund.