

LOCAL SPECIAL ELECTION AMENDMENTS

2002 FIFTH SPECIAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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This act modifies the Election Code by authorizing a local legislative body to call a local special election to determine whether or not Utah's legal boundaries should be changed.

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

AMENDS:

20A-1-203, as last amended by Chapter 325, Laws of Utah 1996

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

Section 1. Section **20A-1-203** is amended to read:

20A-1-203. Calling and purpose of special elections.

(1) Statewide and local special elections may be held for any purpose authorized by law.

(2) (a) Statewide special elections shall be conducted using the procedure for regular general elections.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this title, local special elections shall be conducted using the procedures for regular municipal elections.

(3) The governor may call a statewide special election by issuing an executive order that designates:

(a) the date for the statewide special election; and

(b) the purpose for the statewide special election.

(4) The Legislature may call a statewide special election by passing a joint or concurrent resolution that designates:

(a) the date for the statewide special election; and

(b) the purpose for the statewide special election.

(5) (a) The legislative body of a local political subdivision may call a local special election only for:

(i) a vote on a bond or debt issue;

(ii) a vote on a voted leeway program authorized by Section 53A-17a-133 or 53A-17a-134;

(iii) a referendum authorized by Title 20A, Chapter 7, Part 6; [~~and~~]
(iv) an initiative authorized by Title 20A, Chapter 7, Part 5[~~;~~]; or
(v) if required or authorized by federal law, a vote to determine whether or not Utah's legal boundaries should be changed.

(b) The legislative body of a local political subdivision may call a local special election by adopting an ordinance or resolution that designates:

- (i) the date for the local special election; and
- (ii) the purpose for the local special election.