

**GUBERNATORIAL AND LEGISLATIVE
TASK FORCE ON ALTERNATIVE REVENUE
SOURCES FOR WATER FUNDING**

2002 FIFTH SPECIAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Sponsor: Leonard M. Blackham

This act creates the Gubernatorial and Legislative Alternative Revenue Sources for Water Funding Task Force. The act provides for the task force membership, task force chairs, compensation of task force members, voting, staff support, task force duties and responsibilities, and task force reporting responsibilities. The act appropriates \$17,700 from the General Fund for fiscal year 2002-03. The act provides an immediate effective date. The act is repealed November 30, 2003.

This act enacts uncodified material.

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

Section 1. Gubernatorial and Legislative Alternative Revenue Sources for Water Funding Task Force -- Creation -- Membership -- Interim rules followed -- Voting -- Compensation -- Staff -- Reporting.

(1) The Gubernatorial and Legislative Alternative Revenue Sources for Water Funding Task Force is created to determine and identify alternative revenue sources for water funding.

(2) The task force shall consist of the following members:

(a) one member of the Senate who cochairs the State Water Development Commission;

(b) one member of the House of Representatives who cochairs the State Water Development Commission;

(c) one member of the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate;

(d) one member of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;

(e) up to five members with water policy experience, to be appointed by the Governor, with the concurrence of the cochairs of the State Water Development Commission;

(f) a representative of the governor's office;

(g) the executive director of the Department of Natural Resources; and

(h) the executive director of the Department of Environmental Quality.

(3) No more than two of the legislative members of the task force may be from the same political party.

(4) The cochairs of the State Water Development Commission shall act as cochairs of this task force.

(5) In conducting its business, the task force shall comply with the rules of legislative interim committees.

(6) The legislative and executive branch members of this task force shall constitute the voting members of the task force.

(7) A majority of the voting members specified in Subsection (6) constitutes a quorum for the transaction of the official business of the task force.

(8) (a) Legislators on the task force shall receive compensation and expenses in accordance with Section 36-2-2 and Legislative Joint Rule 15.03.

(b) Task force members who are employees of the state shall receive no additional compensation or expenses.

(c) Other task force members shall receive no compensation or expenses from the state for service on the task force.

(9) The task force may meet up to six times.

(10) The Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel shall provide staff support to the task force.

(11) The task force shall review and make recommendations relating to alternative revenue sources for water funding to the State Water Development Commission, as requested by the State Water Development Commission cochairs, and to the Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Interim Committee by November 30, 2003.

Section 2. Appropriation.

There is appropriated from the General fund for fiscal year 2002-03, an appropriation of:

(1) \$1,350 to the Senate to pay for the compensation and expenses of senators on the task

force;

(2) \$1,350 to the House of Representatives to pay for the compensation and expenses of representatives on the task force; and

(3) \$15,000 to the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel to pay for staffing the task force.

Section 3. Effective date.

If approved by two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, this act takes effect upon approval by the governor, or the day following the constitutional time limit of Utah Constitution Article VII, Section 8, without the governor's signature, or in the case of a veto, the date of veto override.

Section 4. Repeal date.

This act is repealed November 30, 2003.