

Representative Wayne A. Harper proposes the following substitute bill:

1 **VIDEOTAPE OF MINORS**

2 2004 GENERAL SESSION

3 STATE OF UTAH

4 **Sponsor: Wayne A. Harper**

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LONG TITLE

6 **General Description:**

7 This bill sets specific requirements for interviewing children during investigations into
8 abuse.
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10 **Highlighted Provisions:**

11 This bill:

- 12 ▶ requires that all interviews of children be videotaped or similarly recorded;
13 ▶ requires that the child and interviewer be simultaneously recorded; and
14 ▶ requires that the recording be continuous and display time and date.

15 **Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

16 None

17 **Other Special Clauses:**

18 None

19 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

20 ENACTS:

21 **62A-4a-414**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

23 Section 1. Section **62A-4a-414** is enacted to read:

24 **62A-4a-414. Interviews of children -- Recording required.**
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26 Interviews of children during an investigation in accordance with Section 62A-4a-409
27 shall be conducted only under the following conditions:

28 (1) the interview shall be recorded visually and aurally on film, videotape, or by other
29 electronic means;

30 (2) both the interviewer and the child shall be simultaneously recorded and visible on
31 the final product;

32 (3) the time and date of the interview shall be continuously and clearly visible to any
33 subsequent viewer of the recording; and

34 (4) the recording equipment shall run continuously for the duration of the interview.