

1 **FEDERAL RESEARCH COMMITTEE**

2 2005 GENERAL SESSION

3 STATE OF UTAH

4 **Sponsor: Gene Davis**

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6 **LONG TITLE**

7 **General Description:**

8 This bill creates the Federal Research Committee.

9 **Highlighted Provisions:**

10 This bill:

11 ▶ establishes committee membership, duties, salaries, and designates staff for the  
12 committee;

13 ▶ prescribes the issues that the committee may study;

14 ▶ requires state agencies to supply data, reports, and other information to the  
15 committee at no cost to the committee;

16 ▶ authorizes the committee to report to federal agencies; and

17 ▶ requires the committee to present annual reports to the Legislative Management  
18 Committee and the governor.

19 **Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

20 This bill appropriates:

21 ▶ \$2,500 to the Senate as an ongoing appropriation; and

22 ▶ \$2,500 to the House of Representatives as an ongoing appropriation.

23 **Other Special Clauses:**

24 None

25 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

26 ENACTS:

27 **63-33a-101**, Utah Code Annotated 1953



- 28           **63-33a-102**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 29           **63-33a-103**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 30           **63-33a-104**, Utah Code Annotated 1953



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

33           Section 1. Section **63-33a-101** is enacted to read:

34                           **CHAPTER 33a. FEDERAL RESEARCH COMMITTEE ACT**

35           **63-33a-101. Title.**

36           This chapter is known as the "Federal Research Committee Act."

37           Section 2. Section **63-33a-102** is enacted to read:

38           **63-33a-102. Creation -- Members -- Appointment -- Qualifications.**

39           (1) There is created a state Federal Research Committee composed of the following 13  
40 members:

41                   (a) two members of the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate, no more than  
42 one of whom may be from the same political party;

43                   (b) two members of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the  
44 House of Representatives, no more than one of whom may be from the same political party;

45                   (c) the state planning coordinator or the coordinator's designee;

46                   (d) the executive director of the Department of Health or the executive director's  
47 designee;

48                   (e) the executive director of the Department of Community and Economic  
49 Development or the executive director's designee;

50                   (f) the executive director of the Department of Natural Resources or the executive  
51 director's designee;

52                   (g) the executive director of the Department of Environmental Quality or the executive  
53 director's designee;

54                   (h) the commissioner of the Department of Agriculture or the commissioner's designee;  
55 and

56                   (i) three members of the general public appointed by the governor, experienced with  
57 federal programs in the areas of health, public safety, defense, natural resources, or other areas  
58 significant to the economy of the state.

59 (2) Seven or more members is a quorum.

60 (3) (a) (i) A member of the committee who is not a government employee shall receive  
61 no compensation or benefits for the member's services, but may receive per diem and expenses  
62 incurred in the performance of the member's official duties at the rates established by the  
63 Division of Finance under Sections 63A-3-106 and 63A-3-107.

64 (ii) A member may decline to receive per diem and expenses for the member's services.

65 (b) (i) A state government officer or employee member who does not receive salary,  
66 per diem, or expenses from the member's agency for the member's service may receive per  
67 diem and expenses incurred in the performance of the member's official duties at the rates  
68 established by the Division of Finance under Sections 63A-3-106 and 63A-6-107.

69 (ii) A state government officer or employee member may decline to receive per diem  
70 for the member's service.

71 (c) Legislators on the committee shall receive compensation and expenses as provided  
72 by law and legislative rule.

73 Section 3. Section **63-33a-103** is enacted to read:

74 **63-33a-103. Organization.**

75 (1) The committee shall select a chair and a vice chair from its own membership.

76 (2) The original appointing authority shall fill any vacancies that occur on the  
77 committee.

78 (3) The Governor's Office of Planning and Budget shall provide staffing for the  
79 committee.

80 Section 4. Section **63-33a-104** is enacted to read:

81 **63-33a-104. Duties.**

82 (1) The Federal Research Committee shall:

83 (a) review and make recommendations about:

84 (i) federal installations in or pertaining to Utah;

85 (ii) federal programs in or pertaining to Utah; and

86 (iii) the impact of federal programs and installations in or pertaining to Utah on Utah  
87 citizens' health and public safety; and

88 (b) study other issues that may be recommended by the committee including an  
89 evaluation of the merits of available prior and ongoing studies done by others about federal

90 installations and federal programs in or pertaining to Utah.

91 (2) Each state agency shall, if requested by the committee, provide data, reports, or  
92 other information without cost to the committee.

93 (3) The committee may report or make recommendations to federal agencies on its  
94 findings.

95 (4) The committee shall submit an annual report to the Legislative Management  
96 Committee and the governor by November 30 of each year.

97 **Section 5. Appropriation.**

98 As an ongoing appropriation subject to future budget constraints, there is appropriated  
99 from the General Fund for fiscal year 2004-05 \$2,500 to the Senate and \$2,500 to the House of  
100 Representatives.

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**Legislative Review Note**

**as of 11-27-04 2:28 PM**

Based on a limited legal review, this legislation has not been determined to have a high probability of being held unconstitutional.

**Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel**

**State Impact**

This bill appropriates \$5,000 from the General Fund beginning in FY 2005 and continues the appropriation each fiscal year. The funds will be distributed \$2,500 to the Senate and \$2,500 to the House of Representatives.

	<u>FY 2005</u>	<u>FY 2006</u>	<u>FY 2007</u>	<u>FY 2005</u>	<u>FY 2006</u>	<u>FY 2007</u>
	<u>Approp.</u>	<u>Approp.</u>	<u>Approp.</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Revenue</u>
General Fund	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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**Individual and Business Impact**

It is unknown at this time what federal programs or installations will be reviewed and therefore unknown how those studies would effect individuals or businesses.