

1 **UTAH REGISTRY OF AUTISM AND DEVELOPMENTAL**
2 **DISABILITIES**

3 2008 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Chief Sponsor: Eric K. Hutchings**

6 Senate Sponsor: Karen Mayne

8 **LONG TITLE**

9 **General Description:**

10 This bill amends the Utah Health Code to provide for the operation of the Utah Registry
11 of Autism and Developmental Disabilities and the operation of a public education
12 campaign related to autism spectrum disorders and developmental disabilities.

13 **Highlighted Provisions:**

14 This bill:

- 15 ▶ requires the Department of Health to enter into an agreement for the operation of:
 - 16 • the Utah Registry of Autism and Developmental Disabilities (URADD); and
 - 17 • a public education campaign to increase the early identification of autism
- 18 spectrum disorders and developmental disabilities; and
- 19 ▶ describes the purposes of URADD.

20 **Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

21 This bill appropriates:

- 22 ▶ as an ongoing appropriation subject to future budget constraints, \$75,000 from the
23 General Fund for fiscal year 2008-09 to the Department of Health.

24 **Other Special Clauses:**

25 None

26 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

27 ENACTS:

28 **26-7-4**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

31 Section 1. Section **26-7-4** is enacted to read:

32 **26-7-4. Utah Registry of Autism and Developmental Disabilities.**

33 (1) As used in this section, "URADD" means the Utah Registry of Autism and
34 Developmental Disabilities.

35 (2) The department may enter into an agreement with:

36 (a) the University of Utah or another person for the operation of URADD; and

37 (b) a person to conduct a public education campaign to:

38 (i) improve public awareness of the early warning signs of autism spectrum disorders
39 and developmental disabilities; and

40 (ii) promote the early identification of autism spectrum disorders and developmental
41 disabilities.

42 (3) URADD shall consist of a database that collects information on people in the state
43 who have an autism spectrum disorder or a developmental disability.

44 (4) The purpose of URADD is to assist health care providers to:

45 (a) determine the risk factors and causes of autism spectrum disorders and
46 developmental disabilities;

47 (b) plan for and develop resources, therapies, methods of diagnoses, and other services
48 for people with an autism spectrum disorder or a developmental disability;

49 (c) facilitate measuring and tracking of treatment outcomes;

50 (d) gather statistics relating to autism spectrum disorders and developmental disabilities;

51 and

52 (e) improve coordination and cooperation between agencies and other programs that
53 provide services to people with an autism spectrum disorder or a developmental disability.

54 Section 2. **Appropriation.**

55 As an ongoing appropriation, subject to future budget constraints, there is appropriated
56 from the General Fund for fiscal year 2008-09, \$75,000 to the Department of Health for
57 operation of the Utah Registry of Autism and Developmental Disabilities.

