

1 **MINERS' SAFETY AND TRAINING**

2 2009 GENERAL SESSION

3 STATE OF UTAH

4 **Chief Sponsor: Luz Robles**

5 House Sponsor: Christine F. Watkins

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7 **LONG TITLE**

8 **General Description:**

9 This bill amends a provision relating to the Utah Office of Coal Mine Safety.

10 **Highlighted Provisions:**

11 This bill:

- 12 ▶ authorizes the Utah Office of Coal Mine Safety to:
- 13 • receive reports regarding appropriations to promote mine safety; and
  - 14 • evaluate the effectiveness of an appropriation; and
- 15 ▶ establishes a one-time appropriation for miner safety training.

16 **Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

17 This bill appropriates:

- 18 ▶ \$600,000 from the General Fund for fiscal year 2009-10 only, to the College of  
19 Eastern Utah - Western Energy Training Center for miner safety training.

20 **Other Special Clauses:**

21 None

22 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

23 AMENDS:

24 **40-2-301**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 113

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

27 Section 1. Section **40-2-301** is amended to read:



28 **40-2-301. Commission and office responsibilities.**

29 (1) The commissioner shall:

30 (a) direct the state's efforts to promote coal mine safety; and

31 (b) participate with the Mine Safety and Health Administration in an investigation of a  
32 major coal mine accident in Utah.

33 (2) The commission shall establish by rule, made in accordance with Title 63G,  
34 Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act:

35 (a) a system consistent with Section 40-2-302 to receive, evaluate, and act on a report  
36 of an alleged unsafe condition at a coal mine; and

37 (b) requirements for a coal mine operator regarding notification of a coal mine accident  
38 as part of a coal mine operator's emergency response plan.

39 (3) The office may:

40 (a) conduct one or more studies to promote coal mine safety;

41 (b) cooperate with educational and other organizations to promote mining engineering  
42 and mine safety training;

43 (c) establish a cooperative relationship with the Mine Safety and Health Administration  
44 to promote coal mine safety in Utah;

45 (d) serve as the lead state agency in developing and implementing state and local  
46 response and communication plans for major coal mine accidents in Utah; ~~and]~~

47 (e) implement the notification requirements established under Subsection (2)(b)~~[-];~~

48 (f) receive a report from a recipient of an appropriation to promote mine training and  
49 safety; and

50 (g) evaluate how effective an appropriation is in promoting mine training and safety.

51 **Section 2. Appropriation.**

52 (1) There is appropriated \$600,000 from the General Fund for fiscal year 2009-10 only,  
53 to the College of Eastern Utah - Western Energy Training Center.

54 (2) It is the intent of the Legislature that the College of Eastern Utah - Western Energy  
55 Training Center use the money appropriated in Subsection (1) to promote mine training and  
56 safety.

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**S.B. 67 - Miners' Safety and Training**

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**State Impact**

Enactment of this bill will appropriate \$600,000 from the General Fund one-time in FY 2010 to the College of Eastern Utah - Western Energy Training Center.

	<u>2009</u> <u>Approp.</u>	<u>2010</u> <u>Approp.</u>	<u>2011</u> <u>Approp.</u>	<u>2009</u> <u>Revenue</u>	<u>2010</u> <u>Revenue</u>	<u>2011</u> <u>Revenue</u>
General Fund, One-Time	\$0	\$600,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$600,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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**Individual, Business and/or Local Impact**

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs and/or benefits for individuals, businesses, or local governments.