

1                   **USE OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS FOR POLITICAL CAUCUS**

2                                   **MEETINGS**

3   2011 GENERAL SESSION

4   STATE OF UTAH

5                                   **Chief Sponsor: Derek E. Brown**

6                                   Senate Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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**LONG TITLE**

8 **General Description:**

9                   This bill modifies the Utah Election Code by requiring the legislative body of a county,  
10                   municipality, or school district to make facilities under its control available for caucus  
11                   meetings.  
12                   meetings.

13 **Highlighted Provisions:**

14                   This bill:

15                   ▶ requires the legislative body of a county, municipality, or school district to make  
16                   facilities under its control available for caucus meetings if the party requests use of  
17                   the facility 30 calendar days in advance of the meeting and if the building is not  
18                   already scheduled to be in use;

19                   ▶ provides that a public facility may only charge the political party the actual cost of  
20                   custodial services for the use of the facility; and

21                   ▶ makes technical changes.

22 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

23                   None

24 **Other Special Clauses:**

25                   None

26 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

27 AMENDS:



28           **20A-8-404**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 1997, Chapter 24

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

31           Section 1. Section **20A-8-404** is amended to read:

32           **20A-8-404. Facilities for political conventions and other political activities.**

33           (1) The legislative [~~bodies of counties, municipalities, and school districts may~~] body  
34 of a county, municipality, or school district shall make meeting facilities under its control  
35 available to registered political parties, without discrimination, to be used for political party  
36 activities[;] if:

37           (a) the party requests the use of the facility at least 30 calendar days before the day on  
38 which the proposed meeting will take place; and

39           (b) the facility is not already scheduled for another purpose at the time of the proposed  
40 meeting.

41           (2) [~~H~~] Subject to the requirements of Subsection (3), when a legislative body [chooses  
42 to make] makes a meeting [facilities] facility available under Subsection (1), it may establish  
43 terms and conditions for use of [those facilities] that facility.

44           (3) A facility may not charge a registered political party more than the actual cost of  
45 custodial services for cleaning the facility after the meeting.

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# FISCAL NOTE

H.B. 421

SHORT TITLE: **Use of Public Buildings for Political Caucus Meetings**

SPONSOR: **Brown, D.**

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## STATE GOVERNMENT (UCA 36-12-13(2)(b))

Enactment of this bill likely will not materially impact the state budget.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENTS (UCA 36-12-13(2)(c))

Local governments may incur additional costs in making facilities available, including security, utilities, insurance, damages, etc. The magnitude of any costs will depend on factors that cannot be predicted.

## DIRECT EXPENDITURES BY UTAH RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES (UCA 36-12-13(2)(d))

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable expenditures by Utah residents or businesses.