

FIREWORKS AMENDMENTS

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill modifies the Fire Prevention and Fireworks Act regarding the allowable times to discharge fireworks.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:
▶ modifies the times during which fireworks may be sold and discharged.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:
53-7-225, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2011, Chapter 13

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

Section 1. Section **53-7-225** is amended to read:

53-7-225. Times for sale and discharge of fireworks.

(1) A person may sell Class C common state approved explosives [~~may be: (1) sold~~
~~each year~~] in the state as follows:

- 29 (a) beginning on June ~~[26]~~ 23 and ending on July ~~[26]~~ 27;
- 30 (b) beginning on December ~~[26]~~ 29 and ending on ~~[January 1]~~ December 31; and
- 31 (c) ~~[three]~~ two days before and on the Chinese New [Year, and] Year's eve.

32 (2) ~~[discharged each year]~~ A person may discharge Class C common state approved
33 explosives in the state as follows:

34 (a) between the hours of 11 a.m. and 11 p.m., except that on July 4 and July 24, the
35 hours are 11 a.m. to midnight:

- 36 ~~[(a)]~~ (i) beginning on ~~[June 26]~~ July 1 and ending on July ~~[26;]~~ 7; and
- 37 (ii) beginning on July 21 and ending on July 27;

38 (b) (i) beginning at 11 a.m. on December 31 and ending at 1 a.m. on the following day;

39 or

40 (ii) if New Year's eve is on a Sunday and the local governmental jurisdiction
41 determines to celebrate New Year's eve on the prior Saturday, then it is lawful to discharge
42 Class C common state approved explosives on that prior Saturday; and

43 (c) beginning at 11 a.m. on the Chinese New Year's eve and ending at 1 a.m. on the
44 following day.

45 ~~[(b) on January 1 and December 31; and]~~

46 ~~[(c) the day before and on the Chinese New Year.]~~

47 (3) A person who violates the time restrictions stated in Subsection (2)(a), (b), or (c) is
48 guilty of an infraction.