| 1      | BAIL AMENDMENTS  |
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| 2      | 2014 GENERAL SESSION   |
| 3      | STATE OF UTAH  |
| 4      | Chief Sponsor: Scott K. Jenkins  |
| 5      | House Sponsor:   |
| 6<br>7 | LONG TITLE   |
| 8      | General Description:   |
| 9      | This bill allows a court to order bail money to be paid to a judgment creditor.                          |
| 10     | Highlighted Provisions:  |
| 11     | This bill:   |
| 12     | <ul> <li>allows the court to order that a judgment creditor be paid from funds posted as bail</li> </ul> |
| 13     | by a judgment debtor.  |
| 14     | Money Appropriated in this Bill:   |
| 15     | None   |
| 16     | Other Special Clauses:   |
| 17     | None   |
| 18     | <b>Utah Code Sections Affected:</b>  |
| 19     | ENACTS:  |
| 20     | <b>77-20-4.1</b> , Utah Code Annotated 1953  |
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| 22     | Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:   |
| 23     | Section 1. Section 77-20-4.1 is enacted to read:   |
| 24     | 77-20-4.1. Court may order bail paid to a judgment creditor.   |
| 25     | (1) A judgment creditor may request that the court pay bail posted by a judgment                         |
| 26     | debtor to the judgment creditor if:  |
| 27     | (a) the judgment debtor owes the judgment creditor funds pursuant to a court-ordered                     |



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| 28 | <u>judgment;</u>   |
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| 29 | (b) the judgment creditor provides the court with a copy of the valid judgment; and              |
| 30 | (c) bail was posted in cash, or by credit or debit card.   |
| 31 | (2) Upon receipt of a request by a judgment creditor, the court shall require the                |
| 32 | judgment debtor to provide either proof of payment or a reason why the court should not order    |
| 33 | the forfeiture of bail to then be paid to the judgment creditor.                                 |
| 34 | (3) The court may, in its discretion, order all or a portion of the funds deposited with         |
| 35 | the court as bail to be paid to the judgment creditor towards the amount of the judgment. If the |
| 36 | amount paid to the court exceeds the amount of the judgment, the court shall refund the excess   |
| 37 | to the judgment debtor.  |
| 88 | (4) Within seven days of the receipt of funds, the judgment creditor shall provide to the        |
| 39 | judgment debtor an accounting of amounts received and the balance still due, if any.             |
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