

1 **UTAH RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOR MINE SAFETY AND**
2 **PRODUCTIVITY**

3 2015 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Chief Sponsor: Mark A. Wheatley**

6 Senate Sponsor: David P. Hinkins

8 **LONG TITLE**

9 **General Description:**

10 This bill designates the University of Utah Center for Mining Safety and Health
11 Excellence as the Utah Research Institute for Mine Safety and Productivity.

12 **Highlighted Provisions:**

13 This bill:

14 ▶ designates the University of Utah Center for Mining Safety and Health Excellence
15 as the Utah Research Institute for Mine Safety and Productivity and describes the
16 institute's duties.

17 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

18 This bill appropriates in fiscal year 2016:

19 ▶ to the University of Utah Center for Mining Safety and Health Excellence as a
20 one-time appropriation:

- 21 • from the General Fund, \$15,000.

22 **Other Special Clauses:**

23 This bill provides a special effective date.

24 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

25 ENACTS:

26 40-2-205, Utah Code Annotated 1953



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

29 Section 1. Section **40-2-205** is enacted to read:

30 **40-2-205. Utah Research Institute for Mine Safety and Productivity -- Designation**

31 **-- Duties.**

32 (1) As used in this section,

33 (a) "Institute" means the University of Utah Center for Mining Safety and Health
34 Excellence, designated as the Utah Research Institute for Mine Safety and Productivity in
35 Subsection (2).

36 (b) "Safety roundtable" means a meeting of representatives of public and private
37 entities organized by the institute to communicate on mining safety issues.

38 (2) The University of Utah Center for Mining Safety and Health Excellence is
39 designated as the Utah Research Institute for Mine Safety and Productivity.

40 (3) In coordination with the council, the institute shall organize a safety roundtable to:

41 (a) coordinate and share information about mining safety issues;

42 (b) make recommendations to the commission for more efficient mining regulations;

43 (c) make recommendations to the institute for potential research projects; and

44 (d) discuss and make recommendations regarding other topics related to mining safety
45 in Utah.

46 (4) In coordination with the council, the institute may:

47 (a) organize symposia, presentations, or other academic meetings; and

48 (b) identify and propose research projects on topics related to mining safety and
49 productivity.

50 (5) (a) The safety roundtable described in Subsection (3) shall:

51 (i) meet at least quarterly; and

52 (ii) include:

53 (A) two individuals appointed by the institute to represent the institute;

54 (B) two individuals appointed by the council to represent the council;

55 (C) one individual appointed by the office to represent the office;

56 (D) one individual appointed by the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining to represent the
57 Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining;

58 (E) one individual appointed by the School and Institutional Trust Lands

- 59 Administration to represent the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration;
- 60 (F) one individual appointed by the Bureau of Land Management to represent the
- 61 Bureau of Land Management;
- 62 (G) one individual appointed by the United States Forest Service to represent the
- 63 United States Forest Service;
- 64 (H) one individual appointed by the federal Mine Safety and Health Administration to
- 65 represent the federal Mine Safety and Health Administration;
- 66 (I) one individual appointed by each additional state and federal land management
- 67 agency that is identified by the institute;
- 68 (J) two individuals appointed by coal mine operators that are identified by the institute;
- 69 (K) two individuals appointed by miner representatives that are identified by the
- 70 institute; and
- 71 (L) other individuals appointed by entities that are identified by the institute.

72 (b) An individual appointed to represent an entity described in Subsection (5)(a)(ii)
 73 may not receive reimbursement, compensation, or benefits for the individual's representation
 74 except for reimbursement, compensation, or benefits provided by the entity the individual
 75 represents.

76 **Section 2. Appropriation.**

77 Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures Act, for
 78 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 20, 2016, the following sums of money
 79 are appropriated from resources not otherwise appropriated, or reduced from amounts
 80 previously appropriated, out of the funds or accounts indicated. These sums of money are in
 81 addition to any amounts previously appropriated for fiscal year 2016.

82 To the University of Utah Center for Mining Safety and Health Excellence

83 From General Fund, One-time \$15,000

84 Schedule of Programs:

85 Utah Research Institute for Mine Safety and Productivity \$15,000

86 The Legislature intends that the appropriation under this section be used to carry out the
 87 requirements of Section [40-2-205](#).

88 **Section 3. Effective date.**

89 This bill takes effect on July 1, 2015.

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