

**PUBLIC LANDS ACT AMENDMENTS**

2015 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Jim Dabakis**

House Sponsor: Keven J. Stratton

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill requires the attorney general to file a petition ~~§→ [by June 30, 2015,]~~ ←§

~~Ĥ→ [demanding a determination of the ownership of]~~ seeking title to the ←Ĥ public lands.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

▸ requires the attorney general to file a petition in federal court by June 30, ~~§→ [2015]~~

~~2016~~ ←§ ,

~~Ĥ→ [demanding a determination of the ownership of]~~ toward securing title to the ←Ĥ

public lands ~~Ĥ→ ,~~ consistent with Utah law and the Utah enabling act ←Ĥ ; ~~§→ [and]~~

▸ requires the Commission for Stewardship of Public Lands to make a

recommendation; and ←§

▸ makes technical changes.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**63L-6-103**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2012, Chapter 353

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

Section 1. Section **63L-6-103** is amended to read:



26           **63L-6-103. Transfer of public lands.**

27           (1) On or before [~~December 31, 2014, the United States shall:~~] June 30, ~~2015~~

27a   2016 ←~~2015~~ , the

28 attorney general shall file a petition in federal court on behalf of the state ~~H→~~ **[demanding a**  
 29 **determination on the issue of ownership of]** toward securing title to the ~~←H~~ public lands ~~H→~~ ,  
 29a **consistent with Utah law and the Utah enabling act ←H** .

30 [~~(a) extinguish title to public lands; and]~~

31 [~~(b) transfer title to public lands to the state.~~]

31a **Ŝ→ (2) The Commission for the Stewardship of Public Lands shall, by December 31, 2015,**  
 31b **make a recommendation to the Legislative Management Committee regarding whether the**  
 31c **deadline described in Subsection (1) should be extended. ←Ŝ**

32 **Ŝ→ [(2)] (3) ←Ŝ** If the state transfers title to any public lands with respect to which the state  
 32a receives

33 title under Subsection (1)(b), the state shall:

34 (a) retain 5% of the net proceeds the state receives from the transfer of title; and

35 (b) pay 95% of the net proceeds the state receives from the transfer of title to the  
 36 United States.

37 **Ŝ→ [(3)] (4) ←Ŝ** In accordance with Utah Constitution Article X, Section 5, the amounts the  
 37a state

38 retains in accordance with Subsection **Ŝ→ [(2)] (3) ←Ŝ** (a) shall be deposited into the permanent  
 38a State School

39 Fund.

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