

PUBLIC LANDS ACT AMENDMENTS

2015 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Jim Dabakis

House Sponsor: Keven J. Stratton

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill requires the attorney general to file a petition by June 30, 2015, demanding a determination of the ownership of public lands.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- requires the attorney general to file a petition in federal court by June 30, 2015, demanding a determination of the ownership of public lands; 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

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

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

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

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



28 attorney general shall file a petition in federal court on behalf of the state demanding a
29 determination on the issue of ownership of public lands.

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

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

32 (2) If the state transfers title to any public lands with respect to which the state 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 (3) In accordance with Utah Constitution Article X, Section 5, the amounts the state
38 retains in accordance with Subsection (2)(a) shall be deposited into the permanent State School
39 Fund.

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