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SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

2019 GENERAL SESSION

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill requires the Department of Transportation to implement a program to provide safe routes to school.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ requires the Department of Transportation to establish a program to promote safe routes for walking and bicycling to schools;
- ▶ allows the department to use available funds as prioritized by the Transportation Commission;
- ▶ allows the Department of Transportation to give priority to routes in areas of low income schools; and
- ▶ grants rulemaking authority to the Department of Transportation to implement the program.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

28 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

29 ENACTS:

30 **72-8-109**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

33 Section 1. Section **72-8-109** is enacted to read:

34 **72-8-109. Safe Routes to School Program.**

35 (1) As part of providing for the safety of the state transportation system, the department
36 shall establish a program that promotes walking and bicycling to school through infrastructure
37 improvements and noninfrastructure efforts such as safety awareness education.

38 (2) In addition to any federal funds made available to the department for the program,
39 the department may fund the program from money made available to the department by the
40 Legislature and as prioritized by the commission.

41 (3) The department, in consultation with the State Board of Education, may give
42 priority consideration to a project located in an area of a school that receives funding under the
43 Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, Title I, 20 U.S.C. Sec. 6301, et seq.

44 (4) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the
45 department may make rules to implement this section.