CIVIL COMMITMENT AND COMPETENCY AMENDMENTS)
2021 GENERAL SESSION	
STATE OF UTAH	
Chief Sponsor: Paul Ray	
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LONG TITLE	
General Description:	
This bill modifies provisions related to involuntary civil commitment and competen	cy
to stand trial.	
Highlighted Provisions:	
This bill:	
 creates, modifies, and repeals definitions; 	
 adds members to the Forensic Mental Health Coordinating Council; 	
 modifies provisions relating to compensation of members of the Forensic Menta 	1
Health Coordinating Council;	
 prohibits a health insurance provider from denying benefits solely because servi 	ces
are provided under a civil commitment order;	
 modifies procedures and requirements for involuntary civil commitment of an 	
individual, including provisions related to:	
• a local mental health authority's duty to ensure supportive services are provided and the service of the serv	led
to an individual released from civil commitment;	
• notice of expiration of a court order for civil commitment;	
• the qualifications of an individual who may evaluate an individual for civil	
commitment;	
• access to medical and mental health records in a civil commitment proceeding	1g;
• periodic review of an individual's civil commitment;	



28	• the circumstances under which certain individuals who are committed after or
29	during a criminal proceeding may be discharged or released from commitment;
30	• the safety assessment that must be completed before certain individuals may be
31	released from civil commitment;
32	 clarifies that a court may order assisted outpatient treatment of an individual who
33	does not meet the conditions for civil commitment;
34	 modifies the circumstances under which certain records and reports relating to an
35	order for civil commitment or assisted outpatient treatment may be disclosed;
36	 modifies procedures and requirements for finding a defendant incompetent to stand
37	trial in a criminal proceeding, including provisions related to:
38	• the contents of a petition to determine competency;
39	• the court in which a petition to determine competency may be filed;
40	• the information and circumstances on which the forensic evaluation of a
41	defendant may be based;
42	• the number of forensic evaluators that may evaluate a defendant;
43	 the court's findings regarding a defendant's competency; and
44	• commitment of an incompetent defendant for restoration treatment; and
45	 makes technical changes.
46	Money Appropriated in this Bill:
47	None
48	Other Special Clauses:
49	None
50	Utah Code Sections Affected:
51	AMENDS:
52	17-43-301, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapter 303
53	31A-22-651, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 256
54	53-10-208.1, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapter 142
55	62A-15-602, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapters 189 and 256
56	62A-15-605, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapter 304
57	62A-15-626, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 419
58	62A-15-631, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapters 256 and 419

59	62A-15-632, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 419
60	62A-15-636, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2002, Fifth Special Session,
61	Chapter 8
62	62A-15-637, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 419
63	62A-15-643, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2002, Fifth Special Session,
64	Chapter 8
65	77-15-2, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapter 147
66	77-15-3, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapter 147
67	77-15-3.5, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapter 147
68	77-15-4, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapter 147
69	77-15-5, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapter 147
70	77-15-6, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapter 147
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72	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
73	Section 1. Section 17-43-301 is amended to read:
74	17-43-301. Local mental health authorities Responsibilities.
75	(1) As used in this section:
76	(a) "Assisted outpatient treatment" means the same as that term is defined in Section
77	62A-15-602.
78	(b) "Crisis worker" means the same as that term is defined in Section 62A-15-1301.
79	(c) "Local mental health crisis line" means the same as that term is defined in Section
80	62A-15-1301.
81	(d) "Mental health therapist" means the same as that term is defined in Section
82	58-60-102.
83	(e) "Public funds" means the same as that term is defined in Section 17-43-303.
84	(f) "Statewide mental health crisis line" means the same as that term is defined in
85	Section 62A-15-1301.
86	(2) (a) (i) In each county operating under a county executive-council form of
87	government under Section 17-52a-203, the county legislative body is the local mental health
88	authority, provided however that any contract for plan services shall be administered by the
89	county executive.

90	(ii) In each county operating under a council-manager form of government under
91	Section 17-52a-204, the county manager is the local mental health authority.
92	(iii) In each county other than a county described in Subsection (2)(a)(i) or (ii), the
93	county legislative body is the local mental health authority.
94	(b) Within legislative appropriations and county matching funds required by this
95	section, under the direction of the division, each local mental health authority shall:
96	(i) provide mental health services to individuals within the county; and
97	(ii) cooperate with efforts of the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health to
98	promote integrated programs that address an individual's substance abuse, mental health, and
99	physical healthcare needs, as described in Section 62A-15-103.
100	(c) Within legislative appropriations and county matching funds required by this
101	section, each local mental health authority shall cooperate with the efforts of the Department of
102	Human Services to promote a system of care, as defined in Section 62A-1-104, for minors with
103	or at risk for complex emotional and behavioral needs, as described in Section [62A-1-111]
104	<u>62A-1-104</u> .
105	(3) (a) By executing an interlocal agreement under Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal
106	Cooperation Act, two or more counties may join to:
107	(i) provide mental health prevention and treatment services; or
108	(ii) create a united local health department that combines substance abuse treatment
109	services, mental health services, and local health department services in accordance with
110	Subsection (4).
111	(b) The legislative bodies of counties joining to provide services may establish
112	acceptable ways of apportioning the cost of mental health services.
113	(c) Each agreement for joint mental health services shall:
114	(i) (A) designate the treasurer of one of the participating counties or another person as
115	the treasurer for the combined mental health authorities and as the custodian of money
116	available for the joint services; and
117	(B) provide that the designated treasurer, or other disbursing officer authorized by the
118	treasurer, may make payments from the money available for the joint services upon audit of the
119	appropriate auditing officer or officers representing the participating counties;
120	(ii) provide for the appointment of an independent auditor or a county auditor of one of

121 the participating counties as the designated auditing officer for the combined mental health 122 authorities; 123 (iii) (A) provide for the appointment of the county or district attorney of one of the 124 participating counties as the designated legal officer for the combined mental health 125 authorities; and 126 (B) authorize the designated legal officer to request and receive the assistance of the 127 county or district attorneys of the other participating counties in defending or prosecuting actions within their counties relating to the combined mental health authorities: and 128 129 (iv) provide for the adoption of management, clinical, financial, procurement, 130 personnel, and administrative policies as already established by one of the participating 131 counties or as approved by the legislative body of each participating county or interlocal board. 132 (d) An agreement for joint mental health services may provide for: 133 (i) joint operation of services and facilities or for operation of services and facilities under contract by one participating local mental health authority for other participating local 134 135 mental health authorities; and 136 (ii) allocation of appointments of members of the mental health advisory council 137 between or among participating counties. 138 (4) A county governing body may elect to combine the local mental health authority 139 with the local substance abuse authority created in Part 2, Local Substance Abuse Authorities, 140 and the local health department created in Title 26A, Chapter 1, Part 1, Local Health 141 Department Act, to create a united local health department under Section 26A-1-105.5. A local 142 mental health authority that joins with a united local health department shall comply with this 143 part. 144 (5) (a) Each local mental health authority is accountable to the department, the 145 Department of Health, and the state with regard to the use of state and federal funds received 146 from those departments for mental health services, regardless of whether the services are 147 provided by a private contract provider. 148 (b) Each local mental health authority shall comply, and require compliance by its 149 contract provider, with all directives issued by the department and the Department of Health 150 regarding the use and expenditure of state and federal funds received from those departments

151 for the purpose of providing mental health programs and services. The department and

152 Department of Health shall ensure that those directives are not duplicative or conflicting, and 153 shall consult and coordinate with local mental health authorities with regard to programs and 154 services. 155 (6) (a) Each local mental health authority shall: 156 (i) review and evaluate mental health needs and services, including mental health needs 157 and services for: (A) an individual incarcerated in a county jail or other county correctional facility; 158 159 [and] 160 (B) an individual who is a resident of the county and who is court ordered to receive 161 assisted outpatient treatment under Section 62A-15-630.5; and 162 (C) an individual who is a resident of the county who is committed to the custody or 163 jurisdiction of the local mental health authority under Section 62A-15-631; 164 (ii) in accordance with Subsection (6)(b), annually prepare and submit to the division a plan approved by the county legislative body for mental health funding and service delivery, 165 166 either directly by the local mental health authority or by contract; 167 (iii) establish and maintain, either directly or by contract, programs licensed under Title 168 62A, Chapter 2, Licensure of Programs and Facilities; 169 (iv) appoint, directly or by contract, a full-time or part-time director for mental health 170 programs and prescribe the director's duties; 171 (v) provide input and comment on new and revised rules established by the division; 172 (vi) establish and require contract providers to establish administrative, clinical, 173 personnel, financial, procurement, and management policies regarding mental health services 174 and facilities, in accordance with the rules of the division, and state and federal law; 175 (vii) establish mechanisms allowing for direct citizen input; 176 (viii) annually contract with the division to provide mental health programs and 177 services in accordance with the provisions of Title 62A, Chapter 15, Substance Abuse and 178 Mental Health Act; 179 (ix) comply with all applicable state and federal statutes, policies, audit requirements, 180 contract requirements, and any directives resulting from those audits and contract requirements; 181 (x) provide funding equal to at least 20% of the state funds that it receives to fund 182 services described in the plan;

183	(xi) comply with the requirements and procedures of Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal
184	Cooperation Act, Title 17B, Chapter 1, Part 6, Fiscal Procedures for Local Districts, and Title
185	51, Chapter 2a, Accounting Reports from Political Subdivisions, Interlocal Organizations, and
186	Other Local Entities Act; and
187	(xii) take and retain physical custody of minors committed to the physical custody of
188	local mental health authorities by a judicial proceeding under Title 62A, Chapter 15, Part 7,
189	Commitment of Persons Under Age 18 to Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health.
190	(b) Each plan under Subsection (6)(a)(ii) shall include services for adults, youth, and
191	children, which shall include:
192	(i) inpatient care and services;
193	(ii) residential care and services;
194	(iii) outpatient care and services;
195	(iv) 24-hour crisis care and services;
196	(v) psychotropic medication management;
197	(vi) psychosocial rehabilitation, including vocational training and skills development;
198	(vii) case management;
199	(viii) community supports, including in-home services, housing, family support
200	services, and respite services;
201	(ix) consultation and education services, including case consultation, collaboration
202	with other county service agencies, public education, and public information; and
203	(x) services to persons incarcerated in a county jail or other county correctional facility.
204	(7) (a) If a local mental health authority provides for a local mental health crisis line
205	under the plan for 24-hour crisis care and services described in Subsection (6)(b)(iv), the local
206	mental health authority shall:
207	(i) collaborate with the statewide mental health crisis line described in Section
208	62A-15-1302;
209	(ii) ensure that each individual who answers calls to the local mental health crisis line:
210	(A) is a mental health therapist or a crisis worker; and
211	(B) meets the standards of care and practice established by the Division of Substance
212	Abuse and Mental Health, in accordance with Section 62A-15-1302; and
213	(iii) ensure that when necessary, based on the local mental health crisis line's capacity,

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214 calls are immediately routed to the statewide mental health crisis line to ensure that when an 215 individual calls the local mental health crisis line, regardless of the time, date, or number of 216 individuals trying to simultaneously access the local mental health crisis line, a mental health 217 therapist or a crisis worker answers the call without the caller first: 218 (A) waiting on hold; or 219 (B) being screened by an individual other than a mental health therapist or crisis 220 worker. 221 (b) If a local mental health authority does not provide for a local mental health crisis 222 line under the plan for 24-hour crisis care and services described in Subsection (6)(b)(iv), the 223 local mental health authority shall use the statewide mental health crisis line as a local crisis 224 line resource. 225 (8) Before disbursing any public funds, each local mental health authority shall require 226 that each entity that receives any public funds from a local mental health authority agrees in 227 writing that: 228 (a) the entity's financial records and other records relevant to the entity's performance 229 of the services provided to the mental health authority shall be subject to examination by: 230 (i) the division; 231 (ii) the local mental health authority director: 232 (iii) (A) the county treasurer and county or district attorney; or 233 (B) if two or more counties jointly provide mental health services under an agreement 234 under Subsection (3), the designated treasurer and the designated legal officer; 235 (iv) the county legislative body; and 236 (v) in a county with a county executive that is separate from the county legislative 237 body, the county executive; 238 (b) the county auditor may examine and audit the entity's financial and other records 239 relevant to the entity's performance of the services provided to the local mental health 240 authority; and 241 (c) the entity will comply with the provisions of Subsection (5)(b). 242 (9) A local mental health authority may receive property, grants, gifts, supplies, 243 materials, contributions, and any benefit derived therefrom, for mental health services. If those 244 gifts are conditioned upon their use for a specified service or program, they shall be so used.

245	(10) Public funds received for the provision of services pursuant to the local mental
246	health plan may not be used for any other purpose except those authorized in the contract
247	between the local mental health authority and the provider for the provision of plan services.
248	(11) (a) A local mental health authority shall provide [assisted outpatient treatment
249	services, as described in Section 62A-15-630.4,] mental health services to a resident of the
250	county who [has been]:
251	(i) is ordered under Section 62A-15-630.5 to receive assisted outpatient treatment[;]; or
252	(ii) is committed to the custody or jurisdiction of the local mental health authority
253	under Section 62A-15-631.
254	(b) The mental health services described in Subsection (11)(a) shall include:
255	(i) case management; and
256	(ii) an individualized treatment plan created with, if possible, input from the resident of
257	the county.
258	(c) An order for assisted outpatient treatment under Section 62A-15-630.5 does not
259	authorize the local mental health authority to forcibly medicate the resident of the county.
260	Section 2. Section 31A-22-651 is amended to read:
261	31A-22-651. Insurance coverage for assisted outpatient treatment and
262	involuntary civil commitment.
263	[(1) As used in this section, "assisted outpatient treatment" means the same as that term
264	is defined in Section 62A-15-602.]
265	[(2)] A health insurance provider may not deny an insured the benefits of the insured's
266	policy solely because the health care that the insured receives is provided under a court order
267	for assisted outpatient treatment, as provided in Section 62A-15-630.5, or under a court order
268	for civil commitment, as provided in Section 62A-15-631.
269	Section 3. Section 53-10-208.1 is amended to read:
270	53-10-208.1. Magistrates and court clerks to supply information.
271	(1) Every magistrate or clerk of a court responsible for court records in this state shall,
272	within 30 days of the disposition and on forms and in the manner provided by the division,
273	furnish the division with information pertaining to:
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2/4	(a) all dispositions of criminal matters, including:
274	(a) all dispositions of criminal matters, including:(i) guilty pleas;

276	(ii) convictions;
277	(iii) dismissals;
278	(iv) acquittals;
279	(v) pleas held in abeyance;
280	(vi) judgments of not guilty by reason of insanity;
281	(vii) judgments of guilty with a mental illness;
282	(viii) finding of mental incompetence to stand trial; and
283	(ix) probations granted;
284	(b) orders of civil commitment under the terms of Section 62A-15-631 and orders of
285	assisted outpatient treatment under the terms of Section 62A-15-630.5;
286	(c) the issuance, recall, cancellation, or modification of all warrants of arrest or
287	commitment as described in Rule 6, Utah Rules of Criminal Procedure and Section 78B-6-303,
288	within one day of the action and in a manner provided by the division; and
289	(d) protective orders issued after notice and hearing, pursuant to:
290	(i) Title 77, Chapter 36, Cohabitant Abuse Procedures Act;
291	(ii) Title 78B, Chapter 7, Part 4, Dating Violence Protective Orders;
292	(iii) Title 78B, Chapter 7, Part 5, Sexual Violence Protective Orders; or
293	(iv) Title 78B, Chapter 7, Part 6, Cohabitant Abuse Protective Orders.
294	(2) The court in the county where a determination or finding was made shall transmit a
295	record of the determination or finding to the bureau no later than 48 hours after the
296	determination is made, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, if an individual is:
297	(a) adjudicated as a mental defective; or
298	(b) involuntarily committed to a mental institution in accordance with [Subsection
299	<u>62A-15-631(16)</u>] <u>Section 62A-15-631</u> .
300	(3) The record described in Subsection (2) shall include:
301	(a) an agency record identifier;
302	(b) the individual's name, sex, race, and date of birth; and
303	(c) the individual's social security number, government issued driver license or
304	identification number, alien registration number, government passport number, state
305	identification number, or FBI number.
306	Section 4. Section 62A-15-602 is amended to read:

307	62A-15-602. Definitions.
308	As used in this part, Part 7, Commitment of Persons Under Age 18 to Division of
309	Substance Abuse and Mental Health, Part 8, Interstate Compact on Mental Health, Part 9, Utah
310	Forensic Mental Health Facility, Part 10, Declaration for Mental Health Treatment, and Part
311	12, Essential Treatment and Intervention Act:
312	(1) "Adult" means an individual 18 years [of age] old or older.
313	(2) "Approved treatment facility or program" means a treatment provider that meets the
314	standards described in Subsection 62A-15-103(2)(a)(v).
315	(3) "Assisted outpatient treatment" means involuntary outpatient mental health
316	treatment ordered under Section 62A-15-630.5.
317	(4) ["Commitment] "Committed to the custody of a local mental health authority"
318	means that an adult is committed to the custody or jurisdiction of the local mental health
319	authority that governs the mental health catchment area where the adult resides or is found.
320	(5) "Community mental health center" means an entity that provides treatment and
321	services to a resident of a designated geographical area, that operates by or under contract with
322	a local mental health authority, and that complies with state standards for community mental
323	health centers.
324	(6) "Community placement safety evaluation" means an evaluation that considers:
325	(a) whether a patient, because of the patient's mental illness, is likely to become a
326	danger to self or others if discharged;
327	(b) any pending criminal charges against the patient;
328	(c) the patient's criminal history;
329	(d) the risk the patient poses to the community if discharged;
330	(e) the availability of treatment for the patient in the community; and
331	(f) whether a local mental health authority is able to provide appropriate treatment to
332	the patient.
333	[(6)] (7) "Designated examiner" means:
334	(a) a licensed physician, preferably a psychiatrist, who is designated by the division as
335	specially qualified by training or experience in the diagnosis of mental or related illness; or
336	(b) a licensed mental health professional designated by the division as specially
337	qualified by training and who has at least five years' continual experience in the treatment of

338	mental illness.
339	[(7)] (8) "Designee" means a physician who has responsibility for medical functions
340	including admission and [discharge] release, an employee of a local mental health authority, or
341	an employee of a person that has contracted with a local mental health authority to provide
342	mental health services under Section 17-43-304.
343	(9) "Discharge" means:
344	(a) to release an individual from the Utah State Hospital or another secure facility; or
345	(b) to dismiss a court order requiring commitment of a forensic-track patient.
346	[(8)] (10) "Essential treatment" and "essential treatment and intervention" mean
347	court-ordered treatment at a local substance abuse authority or an approved treatment facility or
348	program for the treatment of an adult's substance use disorder.
349	(11) "Forensic-track patient" means a patient who is civilly committed to a secure
350	facility and whose civil commitment is ordered after a court:
351	(a) finds the patient is incompetent to proceed without a substantial probability that the
352	patient will become competent in the foreseeable future under Section 77-15-6; or
353	(b) terminates the patient's commitment for restoration treatment under Section
354	<u>77-15-6.</u>
355	[(9)] (12) "Harmful sexual conduct" means the following conduct upon an individual
356	without the individual's consent, including the nonconsensual circumstances described in
357	Subsections 76-5-406 (2)(a) through (l):
358	(a) sexual intercourse;
359	(b) penetration, however slight, of the genital or anal opening of the individual;
360	(c) any sexual act involving the genitals or anus of the actor or the individual and the
361	mouth or anus of either individual, regardless of the gender of either participant; or
362	(d) any sexual act causing substantial emotional injury or bodily pain.
363	[(10)] (13) "Institution" means a hospital or a health facility licensed under Section
364	26-21-8.
365	$\left[\frac{(11)}{(14)}\right]$ "Local substance abuse authority" means the same as that term is defined in
366	Section 62A-15-102 and described in Section 17-43-201.
367	[(12)] (15) "Mental health facility" means the Utah State Hospital or other facility that
368	provides mental health services under contract with the division, a local mental health

369	authority, a person that contracts with a local mental health authority, or a person that provides
370	acute inpatient psychiatric services to a patient.
371	[(13)] (16) "Mental health officer" means an individual who is designated by a local
372	mental health authority as qualified by training and experience in the recognition and
373	identification of mental illness, to:
374	(a) apply for and provide certification for a temporary commitment; or
375	(b) assist in the arrangement of transportation to a designated mental health facility.
376	[(14)] (17) "Mental illness" means:
377	(a) a psychiatric disorder that substantially impairs an individual's mental, emotional,
378	behavioral, or related functioning; or
379	(b) the same as that term is defined in:
380	(i) the current edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders
381	published by the American Psychiatric Association; or
382	(ii) the current edition of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and
383	Related Health Problems.
384	[(15)] (18) "Patient" means an individual who is:
385	(a) [under commitment] civilly committed to the custody or to the treatment services of
386	a local mental health authority; or
387	(b) undergoing essential treatment and intervention.
388	[(16)] (19) "Physician" means an individual who is:
389	(a) licensed as a physician under Title 58, Chapter 67, Utah Medical Practice Act; or
390	(b) licensed as a physician under Title 58, Chapter 68, Utah Osteopathic Medical
391	Practice Act.
392	(20) "Qualified examiner" means an individual licensed under Title 58, Chapter 60,
393	Mental Health Professional Practice Act, who is qualified by training and education to conduct
394	a community placement safety evaluation.
395	(21) "Qualified mental health therapist" means an individual licensed under Title 58,
396	Chapter 60, Mental Health Professional Practice Act, who is qualified by training and
397	education in the diagnosis of mental illness or related illnesses.
398	[(17)] (22) "Serious bodily injury" means bodily injury that involves a substantial risk

399 of death, unconsciousness, extreme physical pain, protracted and obvious disfigurement, or

400	protracted loss or impairment of the function of a bodily member, organ, or mental faculty.
401	[(18)] (23) "Substantial danger" means that due to mental illness, an individual is at
402	serious risk of:
403	(a) suicide;
404	(b) serious bodily self-injury;
405	(c) serious bodily injury because the individual is incapable of providing the basic
406	necessities of life, including food, clothing, or shelter;
407	(d) causing or attempting to cause serious bodily injury to another individual; or
408	(e) engaging in harmful sexual conduct.
409	[(19)] (24) "Treatment" means psychotherapy, medication, including the administration
410	of psychotropic medication, or other medical treatments that are generally accepted medical or
411	psychosocial interventions for the purpose of restoring the patient to an optimal level of
412	functioning in the least restrictive environment.
413	Section 5. Section 62A-15-605 is amended to read:
414	62A-15-605. Forensic Mental Health Coordinating Council Establishment and
415	purpose.
416	(1) There is established the Forensic Mental Health Coordinating Council composed of
417	the following members:
418	(a) the director of the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health or the director's
419	appointee;
420	(b) the superintendent of the state hospital or the superintendent's appointee;
421	(c) the executive director of the Department of Corrections or the executive director's
422	appointee;
423	(d) a member of the Board of Pardons and Parole or [its] the board's appointee;
424	(e) the attorney general or the attorney general's appointee;
425	(f) a county or district attorney or the county attorney or district attorney's appointee
426	from:
427	(i) a county of the first class, as classified in Section 17-50-501; and
428	(ii) a county of the second, third, fourth, fifth, or sixth class, as classified in Section
429	17-50-501;
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431	Criminal Defense Lawyers;
432	[(f)] (h) the director of the Division of Services for People with Disabilities or the
433	director's appointee;
434	[(g)] (i) the director of the Division of Juvenile Justice Services or the director's
435	appointee;
436	[(h)] (j) the director of the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice or the
437	director's appointee;
438	$\left[\frac{(i)}{(k)}\right]$ the state court administrator or the administrator's appointee;
439	[(j)] (1) the state juvenile court administrator or the administrator's appointee;
440	$\left[\frac{k}{m}\right]$ a representative from a local mental health authority or an organization,
441	excluding the state hospital that provides mental health services under contract with the
442	Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health or a local mental health authority, as
443	appointed by the director of the division;
444	[(1)] (n) the executive director of the Utah Developmental Disabilities Council or the
445	director's appointee; and
446	[(m)] (o) other individuals, including individuals from appropriate advocacy
447	organizations with an interest in the mission described in Subsection (3), as appointed by the
448	members described in Subsections (1)(a) through (l).
449	(2) [A member] Except for compensation or benefits provided to the member in the
450	member's ordinary course of employment, a member who is not employed by the state may not
451	receive compensation or benefits for the member's service, but may receive per diem and travel
452	expenses in accordance with:
453	(a) Section 63A-3-106;
454	(b) Section 63A-3-107; and
455	(c) rules made by the Division of Finance pursuant to Sections 63A-3-106 and
456	63A-3-107.
457	(3) The purpose of the Forensic Mental Health Coordinating Council is to:
458	(a) advise the director regarding the state hospital admissions policy for individuals in
459	the custody of the Department of Corrections;
460	(b) develop policies for coordination between the division and the Department of
461	Corrections;

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462 (c) advise the executive director of the Department of Corrections regarding
463 department policy related to the care of individuals in the custody of the Department of
464 Corrections who are mentally ill;

(d) promote communication between and coordination among all agencies dealing with
individuals with an intellectual disability or mental illness who become involved in the civil
commitment system or in the criminal or juvenile justice system;

468 (e) study, evaluate, and recommend changes to laws and procedures relating to
469 individuals with an intellectual disability or mental illness who become involved in the civil
470 commitment system or in the criminal or juvenile justice system;

471 (f) identify and promote the implementation of specific policies and programs to deal
472 fairly and efficiently with individuals with an intellectual disability or mental illness who
473 become involved in the civil commitment system or in the criminal or juvenile justice system;

(g) promote judicial education relating to individuals with an intellectual disability or
mental illness who become involved in the civil commitment system or in the criminal or
juvenile justice system; and

477 (h) in consultation with the Utah Substance Abuse Advisory Council created in Section
478 63M-7-301, study the long-term need for adult patient beds at the state hospital, including:

479 (i) the total number of beds currently in use in the adult general psychiatric unit of the480 state hospital;

481 (ii) the current bed capacity at the state hospital;

482 (iii) the projected total number of beds needed in the adult general psychiatric unit of483 the state hospital over the next three, five, and 10 years based on:

484 (A) the state's current and projected population growth;

485 (B) current access to mental health resources in the community; and

486 (C) any other factors the Forensic Mental Health Coordinating Council finds relevant487 to projecting the total number of beds; and

488 (iv) the cost associated with the projected total number of beds described in Subsection489 (3)(h)(iii).

490 (4) The Forensic Mental Health Coordinating Council shall report the results of the491 study described in Subsection (3)(h) and any recommended changes to laws or procedures

492 based on the results to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee before November 30

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	of each year.
494	Section 6. Section 62A-15-626 is amended to read:
495	62A-15-626. Release from commitment.
496	(1) (a) Subject to Subsection (1)(b), a local mental health authority or the <u>local</u> mental
497	health authority's designee shall release <u>a patient</u> from commitment [any individual who, in the
498	opinion of the local mental health authority or the mental health authority's designee, has
499	recovered or no longer meets the criteria specified in Section 62A-15-631] in accordance with
500	Section 62A-15-631 and make an effort to ensure that any supportive services required to meet
501	the patient's needs upon release are provided.
502	(b) A local mental health authority's inability to locate a [committed individual] patient
503	may not be the basis for the [individual's] patient's release, unless the court orders the release of
504	the [individual] patient after a hearing at which the court makes an individualized
505	determination that good cause exists to release the patient.
506	(2) A local mental health authority may conditionally release a patient to a less
507	restrictive environment in accordance with Section 62A-15-637.
508	[(2) A local mental health authority or the mental health authority's designee may
509	release from commitment any patient whose commitment is determined to be no longer
510	advisable except as provided by Section 78A-6-120, but an effort shall be made to assure that
511	any further supportive services required to meet the patient's needs upon release will be
512	provided.]
513	[(3) When a patient has been committed to a local mental health authority by judicial
514	process, the local mental health authority shall follow the procedures described in Sections
515	62A-15-636 and 62A-15-637.]
516	Section 7. Section 62A-15-631 is amended to read:
517	62A-15-631. Civil commitment under court order Examination Hearing
518	Power of court Findings required Release from commitment Assisted outpatient
519	treatment Costs.
520	(1) A responsible individual who has credible knowledge of an adult's mental illness
521	and the condition or circumstances that have led to the adult's need to be involuntarily
522	committed to the custody or jurisdiction of a local mental health authority may initiate an
523	involuntary commitment court proceeding by filing, in the district court in the county where the

524 <u>adult proposed patient resides or is found, a written application that includes:</u>

- (a) unless the court finds that the information is not reasonably available, the proposedpatient's:
- 527 (i) name;
- 528 (ii) date of birth; and
- 529 (iii) social security number;
- (b) (i) a certificate of a licensed physician or a designated examiner stating that within
 the seven-day period immediately preceding the certification, the physician or designated
 examiner examined the proposed patient and is of the opinion that the proposed patient has a
 mental illness and should be involuntarily committed to the custody or jurisdiction of a local
- 534 <u>mental health authority;</u> or
- 535 (ii) a written statement by the applicant that:
- 536 (A) the proposed patient has been requested to, but has refused to, submit to an
- 537 examination of mental condition by a licensed physician or designated examiner;
- 538 (B) is sworn to under oath; and
- 539 (C) states the facts upon which the application is based; [and]
- 540 (c) a statement whether the proposed patient has previously been under an <u>order for</u>
- 541 <u>commitment or an</u> assisted outpatient treatment order, if known by the applicant[-]; and
- 542 (d) an explanation of the mental health services provided to the proposed patient under
- 543 <u>an order described in Subsection (1)(c), if known by the applicant.</u>
- 544 (2) (a) Subject to Subsection (2)(b), before issuing a judicial order, the court may
- require the applicant to consult with the appropriate local mental health authority or the local
- 546 <u>mental health authority's designee</u>, and the court may direct a <u>qualified</u> mental health
- 547 [professional] therapist from [that] the local mental health authority to interview the applicant
- and the proposed patient to determine the existing facts and report [them] the facts to the court.
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- (b) The consultation described in Subsection (2)(a):(i) may take place at or before the hearing; and
- (ii) is required if the local mental health authority or the local mental health authority's
 designee appears at the hearing.
- (3) (a) [If the court finds from the application, from any other statements under oath, or
 from any reports from a mental health professional that there is a reasonable basis to believe

555	that the proposed patient has a mental illness that poses a substantial danger to self or others
556	requiring involuntary commitment pending examination and hearing; or, if the proposed patient
557	has refused to submit to an interview with a mental health professional as directed by the court
558	or to go to a treatment facility voluntarily, the court may issue an order, directed to a mental
559	health officer or peace officer, to immediately place] The court may order the proposed patient
560	be placed in the custody or under the jurisdiction of a local mental health authority [or] and be
561	detained for the purpose of examination in a temporary emergency facility [as provided in] as
562	described in Section 62A-15-634 [to be detained for the purpose of examination.] if:
563	(i) the court finds from the application, any other statements under oath, or any reports
564	from a mental health professional that there is a reasonable basis to believe that the proposed
565	patient has a mental illness that poses a substantial danger to self or others requiring
566	involuntary commitment pending examination and hearing; or
567	(ii) the proposed patient refuses to submit to an interview with a qualified mental
568	health therapist as directed by the court or go to a treatment facility voluntarily.
569	(b) An order issued under Subsection (3)(a) shall direct a mental health officer or peace
570	officer to immediately take physical custody of the proposed patient and place the proposed
571	patient in the temporary emergency facility.
572	(4) (a) Notice of commencement of proceedings for involuntary commitment, setting
573	forth the allegations of the application and any reported facts, together with a copy of any
574	official order of detention, shall:
575	(i) be provided by the court to $[a]$ the proposed patient:
576	(A) before, or upon, placement of the proposed patient in the custody or under the
577	jurisdiction of a local mental health authority under Subsection (3); or[;]
578	(B) with respect to [any] a proposed patient presently [in] committed to the custody or
579	jurisdiction of a local mental health authority whose status is being changed from voluntary to
580	involuntary, upon the filing of an application for that purpose with the court[. A copy of that
581	order of detention shall be maintained at the place of detention.];
582	[(5) Notice of commencement of those proceedings shall]
583	(ii) be provided by the court as soon as practicable to:
584	(A) the applicant[-];
585	(B) any legal guardian[,] of the proposed patient;

586	(C) any immediate adult family members[;] of the proposed patient;
587	(D) legal counsel for the parties involved[;];
588	(E) the local mental health authority or $[its]$ the local mental health authority's
589	designee[,]; and
590	(F) any other persons whom the proposed patient or the court [shall designate. That
591	notice shall] designates; and
592	(iii) advise [those persons] that a hearing may be held within the time provided by law.
593	[H]
594	(b) A copy of any official order of detention shall be maintained at the proposed
595	patient's place of detention.
596	(c) The court shall determine the extent of the notice that is required if the proposed
597	patient has refused to permit release of information necessary for provisions of notice under
598	this [subsection, the extent of notice shall be determined by the court] Subsection (4).
599	[(6)] (5) [Proceedings] A proceeding for commitment of an individual under [the age
600	of] 18 years old to a local mental health authority may be commenced in accordance with Part
601	7, Commitment of Persons Under Age 18 to Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health.
602	[(7)] (6) The district court may, in $[its]$ the district court's discretion, transfer the case
603	to any other district court within [this] the state, provided that the transfer [will not be] is not
604	adverse to the interest of the proposed patient.
605	[(8)] (7) Within 24 hours, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, [of] after
606	the [issuance of] the court issues a judicial order, or after [commitment of] the day on which a
607	proposed patient is committed to the custody of a local mental health authority or [its] the local
608	mental health authority's designee under [court order for detention or examination] Subsection
609	(3), the court shall appoint two designated examiners:
610	(a) who did not sign the civil commitment application nor the civil commitment
611	certification under Subsection (1);
612	(b) one of whom is a licensed physician; and
613	(c) one of whom may be designated by the proposed patient or the proposed patient's
614	counsel, if [that] the designated examiner is reasonably available.
615	[(9)] <u>(8)</u> The court shall schedule a hearing to be held within 10 [calendar] days [of]
616	after the day on which the designated examiners are appointed.

617	[(10)] (9) (a) The designated examiners shall:
618	[(a)] (i) conduct their examinations separately;
619	[(b)] (ii) conduct the examinations at the home of the proposed patient, at a hospital or
620	other medical facility, or at any other suitable place that is not likely to have a harmful effect on
621	the proposed patient's health;
622	[(c)] (iii) inform the proposed patient, if not represented by an attorney:
623	[(i)] (A) that the proposed patient does not have to say anything;
624	[(ii)] (B) of the nature and reasons for the examination;
625	[(iii)] (C) that the examination was ordered by the court;
626	[(iv)] (D) that any information volunteered could form part of the basis for the
627	proposed patient's involuntary commitment;
628	[(v)] (E) that findings resulting from the examination will be made available to the
629	court; and
630	[(vi)] (F) that the designated examiner may, under court order or subpoena, obtain the
631	proposed patient's medical or mental health records; and
632	[(d)] (iv) within 24 hours [of] after examining the proposed patient, report to the court,
633	orally or in writing, whether the proposed patient is mentally ill, [has agreed] agrees to
634	voluntary commitment, as described in Section 62A-15-625, or has acceptable treatment
635	programs available to the proposed patient without court proceedings.
636	(b) If the designated examiner reports orally, the designated examiner shall
637	immediately send a written report to the clerk of the court.
638	[(11)] (10) If a designated examiner is unable to complete an examination on the first
639	attempt because the proposed patient refuses to submit to the examination, the court shall fix a
640	reasonable compensation to be paid to the examiner.
641	$\left[\frac{(12)}{(11)}\right]$ If the local mental health authority, $\left[\frac{its}{its}\right]$ the local mental health authority's
642	designee, or a [medical] designated examiner determines before the court hearing that the
643	conditions justifying the findings leading to a commitment hearing no longer exist, the local
644	mental health authority, [its] the local mental health authority's designee, or the [medical]
645	designated examiner shall immediately report [that] the determination to the court.
646	[(13)] (12) The court may terminate the proceedings and dismiss the application at any
647	time, including [prior to the hearing] before the day on which the hearing is held, if [the] both

648 designated examiners or the local mental health authority or [its] the local mental health 649 authority's designee informs the court that the proposed patient: 650 (a) is not mentally ill; 651 (b) [has agreed] agrees to voluntary commitment, as described in Section 62A-15-625; 652 or 653 (c) has acceptable [options for] treatment programs [that are] available without court 654 proceedings. 655 $\left[\frac{14}{13}\right]$ (13) (a) Before the hearing, the court shall afford the proposed patient an opportunity to be represented by counsel [shall be afforded to the proposed patient], and if 656 657 neither the proposed patient nor others provide counsel, the court shall appoint counsel and 658 allow counsel sufficient time to consult with the proposed patient before the hearing. 659 (b) In the case of an indigent proposed patient, the county in which the proposed 660 patient resides or is found shall make payment of reasonable attorney fees for counsel, as determined by the court[, shall be made by the county in which the proposed patient resides or 661 662 is found]. 663 $\left[\frac{15}{a}\right]$ (14) (a) (i) The court shall afford a proposed patient, the applicant, and all 664 other persons to whom notice is required to be given [shall be afforded] an opportunity to 665 appear at the hearing, to testify, and to present and cross-examine witnesses. 666 (ii) The court may, in [its] the court's discretion, receive the testimony of any other 667 interested person. 668 (iii) The court may allow a waiver of the proposed patient's right to appear only for an individualized showing of good cause [shown, and that cause shall be made a matter of court] 669 670 on the record. (b) The court is authorized to exclude all [persons] individuals not necessary for the 671 conduct of the proceedings and may, upon motion of counsel for the proposed patient or upon 672 673 request by the local mental health authority or the local mental health authority's designee, 674 require the testimony of each designated examiner [to] be given out of the presence of any 675 other designated examiners. 676 (c) The court shall conduct the hearing [shall be conducted] in as informal a manner as 677 may be consistent with orderly procedure, and in a physical setting that is not likely to have a 678 harmful effect on the mental health of the proposed patient.

679	(d) The court shall consider all relevant historical and material information that is
680	offered, subject to the rules of evidence, including reliable hearsay under Rule 1102, Utah
681	Rules of Evidence.
682	(e) (i) A local mental health authority [or its], the local mental health authority's
683	designee, the applicant, or the [physician] other individual in charge of the proposed patient's
684	[care] treatment shall, at the time of the hearing, provide the court with the following
685	information, if known or available:
686	(A) the detention order;
687	(B) admission notes;
688	(C) the diagnosis;
689	(D) any doctors' orders;
690	(E) progress notes;
691	(F) nursing notes;
692	(G) medication records pertaining to the current commitment; [and]
693	(H) whether the proposed patient has previously been [civilly committed or] under an
694	order for commitment or an order for assisted outpatient treatment[-]; and
695	(I) an explanation of the mental health services provided to the proposed patient under
696	an order described in Subsection (14)(e)(i)(H).
697	(ii) (A) Subject to the requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and
698	Accountability Act of 1996, the court may, on a showing of good cause, issue a subpoena that
699	requires medical or mental health records of a proposed patient be provided to the local mental
700	health authority in charge of the proposed patient's treatment.
701	(B) Good cause exists under Subsection (14)(e)(ii)(A) if the court finds additional
702	medical or mental health records are necessary for a designated examiner to complete an
703	examination or report under this section or the court to determine whether commitment of the
704	proposed patient is justified.
705	(C) The court may issue a protective order that limits a person from producing or
706	sharing information in the proposed patient's medical or mental health records and the use of
707	the records to purposes related to the commitment proceedings for the proposed patient.
708	(D) If the court issues a subpoena under this Subsection (14)(e)(ii), the hearing may be
709	continued for up to 14 days to allow for production of the medical or mental health records.

710	[(iii)] (iii) [That] The information described in Subsections (14)(e)(i) and (ii) shall
711	[also] be [supplied] provided to the proposed patient's counsel:
712	(A) at the time of the hearing[;]; and
713	(B) at any time [prior to] before the hearing upon request.
714	[(16)] (15) (a) The court shall order [commitment of a] an adult proposed patient [who
715	is 18 years of age or older to] be committed to the custody of a local mental health authority if,
716	upon completion of the hearing and consideration of the information presented, the court finds
717	by clear and convincing evidence that:
718	[(a)] (i) the proposed patient has a mental illness;
719	[(b)] (ii) because of the proposed patient's mental illness, the proposed patient poses a
720	substantial danger to self or others;
721	[(c)] (iii) the proposed patient lacks the ability to engage in a rational decision-making
722	process regarding the acceptance of mental treatment as demonstrated by evidence of inability
723	to weigh the possible risks of accepting or rejecting treatment;
724	[(d)] (iv) there is no appropriate [less-restrictive] less restrictive alternative to a court
725	order of commitment; and
726	[(e)] (v) the local mental health authority can provide the proposed patient with
727	treatment that is adequate and appropriate to the proposed patient's conditions and needs. [In
728	the absence of the required findings of the court after the hearing, the court shall dismiss the
729	proceedings.]
730	(b) (i) If, at the hearing described in Subsection (15)(a), the court determines that the
731	proposed patient has a mental illness but does not meet the other conditions described in
732	Subsection (15)(a), the court may consider whether the proposed patient meets the conditions
733	for assisted outpatient treatment under Section 62A-15-630.5.
734	(ii) The court shall order the proposed patient receive assisted outpatient treatment if,
735	at the hearing described in Subsection (15)(a), the court finds the proposed patient meets the
736	conditions for assisted outpatient treatment under Section 62A-15-630.5.
737	(c) If the court determines that neither the conditions for commitment under Subsection
738	(15)(a) or assisted outpatient treatment under Section 62A-15-630.5 are met, the court shall
739	dismiss the proceedings after the hearing described in Subsection (15)(a).
740	[(17)] (16) (a) (i) The order of commitment shall designate the period for which the

741 patient shall be treated. 742 (ii) When the patient is not under an order of commitment at the time of the hearing, 743 [that] the period for which the patient shall be treated may not exceed six months without 744 [benefit of] a review hearing. 745 (iii) Upon [such] a review hearing, [to be] commenced [prior to the expiration of the 746 previous order] before the day on which the previous order of commitment expires, an order 747 [for] of commitment may be for an indeterminate period, if the court finds by clear and 748 convincing evidence that the required conditions described in Subsection $\left[\frac{(16)}{(16)}\right]$ (15)(a) will last 749 for an indeterminate period. 750 (b) The court shall: 751 (i) maintain a current list of all patients under [its] the court's order of commitment[. 752 That list shall be reviewed]; 753 (ii) review the list to determine those patients who have been under an order of 754 commitment for the [designated period. At least two weeks prior to the expiration of the 755 designated] period of commitment designated in the order; and 756 (iii) at least 30 days before the day on which the period [of any order] of commitment 757 [still in effect, the court that entered the original order shall] designated in an order expires, 758 inform the appropriate local mental health authority or [its] the local mental health authority's 759 designee of the expiration. 760 761 designee that is responsible for a patient under an order of commitment for a designated period 762 of time shall [immediately reexamine] examine the reasons upon which the order of 763 commitment [was] is based[. If the local mental health authority or its designee determines 764 that the conditions justifying that commitment no longer exist, it shall discharge the patient 765 from involuntary commitment and immediately report the discharge to the court. Otherwise, 766 the court shall immediately appoint two designated examiners and proceed under Subsections 767 (8) through (14).] in accordance with Section 62A-15-636 and immediately upon determining a 768 patient has been under an order of commitment for the period of commitment designated in the 769 order. 770 (ii) The local mental health authority or the local mental health authority's designee 771 responsible for a patient under an order of commitment for an indeterminate period shall

772	examine the reasons upon which the order of commitment is based in accordance with Section
773	62A-15-636 and at least every six months.
774	[(c) The local mental health authority or its designee responsible for the care of a
775	patient under an order of commitment for an indeterminate period shall, at six-month intervals,
776	reexamine the reasons upon which the order of indeterminate commitment was based. If the
777	local mental health authority or its designee determines that the conditions justifying that
778	commitment no longer exist, that local mental health authority or its designee shall discharge
779	the patient from its custody and immediately report the discharge to the court. If the local
780	mental health authority or its designee determines that the conditions justifying that
781	commitment continue to exist, the local mental health authority or its designee shall send a
782	written report of those findings to the court. The patient and the patient's counsel of record
783	shall be notified in writing that the involuntary commitment will be continued, the reasons for
784	that decision, and that the patient has the right to a review hearing by making a request to the
785	court. Upon receiving the request, the court shall immediately appoint two designated
786	examiners and proceed under Subsections (8) through (14).]
787	(d) (i) If, after examination, the local mental health authority or the local mental health
788	authority's designee determines that continued commitment of a patient is justified, the local
789	mental health authority or the local mental health authority's designee shall send a written
790	report of the determination to the court that issued the original order of commitment.
791	(ii) The local mental health authority or the local mental health authority's designee
792	shall notify, in writing, the patient and all counsel of record:
793	(A) of the reasons for the determination under Subsection (16)(d)(i); and
794	(B) that the patient may request a review hearing by making the request to the court.
795	(iii) Upon receipt of the request described in Subsection (16)(d)(ii)(B), the court shall
796	immediately:
797	(A) appoint two designated examiners; and
798	(B) proceed in accordance with Subsections (7) through (13).
799	(e) If the local mental health authority or the local mental health authority's designee
800	determines after examination of a patient that the conditions justifying commitment of the
801	patient no longer exist, the local mental health authority or the local mental health authority's
802	designee shall release the patient from the custody or jurisdiction of the local mental health

803	authority and immediately report the release to the court that issued the original order of
804	commitment.
805	(f) (i) If the local mental health authority or the local mental health authority's designee
806	determines after examination of a forensic-track patient that the forensic-track patient will be
807	eligible for discharge at a future date, the local mental health authority or the local mental
808	health authority's designee shall notify the following persons that the forensic-track patient will
809	be discharged at least 60 days before the day on which the local mental health authority or the
810	local mental health authority's designee anticipates the forensic-track patient will be
811	discharged:
812	(A) the court that adjudicated the forensic-track patient incompetent to proceed;
813	(B) the court that originally ordered the forensic-track patient be civilly committed; and
814	(C) all counsel of record in the cases described in Subsections (16)(f)(i)(A) and (B).
815	(ii) (A) After receiving the notice described in Subsection (16)(f)(i), the court that
816	originally ordered the forensic-track patient be civilly committed or, if the forensic-track
817	patient's criminal case is not dismissed, the court that adjudicated the forensic-track patient
818	incompetent to proceed, or any counsel of record may request a community placement safety
819	evaluation of the forensic-track patient be completed by a designated examiner or a qualified
820	examiner at the requesting court's or counsel's expense.
821	(B) If a court or counsel of record requests a community placement safety evaluation of
822	the forensic-track patient, the court or counsel shall, within 15 days after the day on which the
823	court or counsel receives the notice described in Subsection (16)(f)(i), notify all other persons
824	described in Subsection (16)(f)(i) of the request.
825	(iii) (A) The designated examiner or a qualified examiner shall complete and submit
826	the community placement safety evaluation to the court or counsel who requested the
827	evaluation within 30 days after the day on which the designated examiner or qualified examiner
828	is retained by the court or counsel of record.
829	(B) The community placement safety evaluation shall include the designated
830	examiner's or qualified examiner's name and qualifications, a brief summary of all data and
831	other information the designated examiner or qualified examiner relied upon in completing the
832	evaluation, and the compensation to be paid to the designated examiner or qualified examiner
833	for the evaluation.

834	(iv) After receiving the community placement safety evaluation, the court or counsel of
835	record shall:
836	(A) immediately notify the persons described in Subsection (16)(f)(i) of receipt of the
837	evaluation; and
838	(B) provide each of the persons described in Subsection (16)(f)(i) a copy of the
839	evaluation.
840	(v) (A) The court shall conduct a hearing on the issue of discharge of the forensic-track
841	patient within 15 days after the day on which the court receives a copy of the community
842	placement safety evaluation.
843	(B) Subject to Subsection (16)(f)(viii), the court may reschedule the hearing for good
844	cause if the rescheduling does not unreasonably extend the forensic-track patient's anticipated
845	date of discharge.
846	(vi) (A) If, after the hearing described in Subsection (16)(f)(v), the court determines
847	that the conditions justifying placement of the forensic-track patient in a secure facility no
848	longer exist, the court shall order the forensic-track patient be discharged and, if applicable,
849	appropriate treatment be continued in a less restrictive environment.
850	(B) If, after the hearing described in Subsection (16)(f)(v), the court determines that the
851	conditions justifying placement of the forensic-track patient in a secure facility will not exist on
852	the forensic-track patient's anticipated date of discharge, the court shall order the forensic-track
853	patient be discharged on the forensic-track patient's anticipated date of discharge and, if
854	applicable, appropriate treatment be continued in a less restrictive environment.
855	(C) If, after the hearing described in Subsection (16)(f)(v), the court determines that
856	placement of the forensic-track patient in a secure facility is justified because the forensic-track
857	patient meets the conditions described in Subsections (15)(a)(i) and (ii) and the necessary
858	treatment cannot be provided to the forensic-track patient in a less restrictive environment, the
859	court shall identify the treatment the court finds necessary to protect the forensic-track patient
860	or others upon discharge, and order commitment continue and the forensic-track patient remain
861	in a secure facility until the day on which the treatment can be provided or the forensic-track
862	patient is otherwise discharged in accordance with this Subsection (16).
863	(vii) (A) If counsel of record for a forensic-track patient does not enter a renewed
864	appearance within 10 days after the day on which the notice described in Subsection (16)(f)(i)

865	is sent, the court shall appoint counsel for the forensic-track patient in accordance with
866	Subsection (13).
867	(B) For purposes of Subsections (16)(f)(ii) through (vi), counsel appointed under this
868	Subsection (16)(f)(vii) is deemed to have received the notice described in Subsection (16)(f)(i)
869	on the day on which the counsel is appointed by the court.
870	(viii) The process described in this Subsection (16)(f) may not prohibit or delay a
871	forensic-track patient's discharge under Subsection (16)(e).
872	[(18)] (17) (a) [Any] A patient committed as a result of an original hearing or a
873	patient's legally designated representative who is aggrieved by the findings, conclusions, and
874	order of the court entered in the original hearing has the right to a new hearing upon a petition
875	filed with the court within 30 days [of the entry of the court order] after the day on which the
876	court enters the order.
877	(b) The petition described in Subsection (17)(a) must allege error or mistake in the
878	findings, in which case the court shall appoint three [impartial] designated examiners
879	previously unrelated to the case to conduct an additional examination of the patient.
880	(c) The new hearing shall, in all other respects, be conducted in the manner otherwise
881	permitted <u>under this section</u> .
882	[(19)] (18) [Costs] Unless otherwise specified, the county in which the proposed
883	patient resides or is found shall pay the costs of all proceedings under this section [shall be paid
884	by the county in which the proposed patient resides or is found].
885	(19) As provided in Section 31A-22-651, a health insurance provider may not deny an
886	insured the benefits of the insured's policy solely because the health care that the insured
887	receives is provided under a court order for civil commitment.
888	Section 8. Section 62A-15-632 is amended to read:
889	62A-15-632. Circumstances under which conditions justifying initial involuntary
890	commitment shall be considered to continue to exist.
891	(1) After an individual is involuntarily committed to the custody of a local mental
892	health authority under [Subsection 62A-15-631(16)] Section 62A-15-631, the conditions
893	justifying commitment under [that subsection] Subsection 62A-15-631 shall be considered to
894	continue to exist, for purposes of continued treatment under Subsection 62A-15-631[(17)] or
895	conditional release to a less restrictive environment under Section 62A-15-637, unless:

896	(a) the court terminates the civil commitment through a review hearing; or
897	(b) the local mental health authority or a designee of the local mental health authority
898	with custody over the patient [discharges] releases the patient and provides notice of the
899	[discharge] release to the court, as described in [Subsections 62A-15-631(17)(c) and
900	62A-15-637(2)] <u>Subsection 62A-15-631(16)(e)</u> .
901	(2) A patient whose treatment is continued or who is conditionally released to a less
902	restrictive environment under Section 62A-15-637 shall be maintained in the least restrictive
903	environment available that can provide the patient with the treatment that is adequate and
904	appropriate.
905	(3) Except for <u>on an individualized showing of good cause</u> , a court may not terminate a
906	civil commitment through a review hearing if the patient:
907	(a) is under a conditional release agreement; and
908	(b) does not appear at the review hearing.
909	Section 9. Section 62A-15-636 is amended to read:
910	62A-15-636. Periodic review.
911	(1) [Each] A local mental health authority or [its] the local mental health authority's
912	designee shall, as frequently as practicable, examine or cause to be examined every [person
913	who has been committed to it. Whenever the local mental health authority or its designee
914	determines that the conditions justifying involuntary commitment no longer exist, it shall
915	discharge the patient. If the patient has been committed through judicial proceedings, a report
916	describing that determination shall be sent to the clerk of the court where the proceedings were
917	held] patient who is committed to the local mental health authority.
918	(2) A local mental health authority or the local mental health authority's designee shall
919	proceed in accordance with Subsection 62A-15-631(16) if the local mental health authority or
920	the local mental health authority's designee:
921	(a) determines after examination that the conditions justifying a patient's commitment
922	no longer exist; or
923	(b) anticipates after examination that a forensic-track patient will be eligible for
924	discharge at a future date.
925	Section 10. Section 62A-15-637 is amended to read:
926	62A-15-637. Release of patient to receive other treatment Placement in more or

927	less restrictive environment Procedures.
928	(1) A local mental health authority or $[a \text{ designee of } a]$ the local mental health
929	[authority] authority's designee may conditionally release an improved patient to a less
930	restrictive [treatment] environment when:
931	(a) the local mental health authority specifies the less restrictive treatment; and
932	(b) the patient agrees in writing to the less restrictive [treatment] environment.
933	[(2) (a) Whenever a local mental health authority or a designee of a local mental health
934	authority determines that the conditions justifying commitment no longer exist, the local
935	mental health authority or the designee shall discharge the patient.]
936	[(b) If the discharged patient has been committed through judicial proceedings, the
937	local mental health authority or the designee shall prepare a report describing the determination
938	and shall send the report to the clerk of the court where the proceedings were held.]
939	[(3)] (2) (a) A local mental health authority or $[a designce of a]$ the local mental health
940	[authority] authority's designee is authorized to issue an order for the immediate placement of a
941	[current] patient into a more restrictive environment, if:
942	(i) the local mental health authority or [a designee of a local mental health authority]
943	the local mental health authority's designee has reason to believe that the patient's current
944	environment is aggravating the patient's mental illness; or
945	(ii) the patient has failed to comply with the specified treatment plan to which the
946	patient agreed in writing.
947	(b) An order for a more restrictive environment shall:
948	(i) state the reasons for the order;
949	(ii) authorize any peace officer to take the patient into physical custody and transport
950	the patient to a facility designated by the local mental health authority;
951	(iii) inform the patient of the right to a hearing, the right to appointed counsel, and the
952	other procedures described in Subsection $62A-15-631[(14)](13)$; and
953	(iv) [prior to] before or upon admission to the more restrictive environment, or upon
954	imposition of additional or different requirements as conditions for continued conditional
955	release from inpatient care, [copies of the order shall] be delivered to:
956	(A) the patient;
957	(B) the person in whose care the patient is placed;

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958 (C) the patient's counsel of record; and 959 (D) the court that entered the original order of commitment. 960 (c) (i) If the patient $\left[\frac{1}{2}\right]$ is in a less restrictive environment for more than 30 days and 961 is aggrieved by the change to a more restrictive environment, the patient or the patient's 962 representative may request a hearing within 30 days [of the change] after the day on which the 963 change is made. 964 (ii) Upon receiving the request described in Subsection (2)(c)(i), the court shall immediately appoint two designated examiners and proceed [pursuant to] in accordance with 965 966 Section 62A-15-631, with the exception of Subsection $62A-15-631[\frac{(16)}{(16)}](15)$, unless, by the 967 time set for the hearing, the patient is returned to the less restrictive environment or the patient 968 withdraws the request for a hearing, in writing. 969 (d) The court shall: 970 (i) make findings regarding whether the conditions described in Subsections $\left[\frac{3}{3}\right]$ (2)(a) and (b) [were] are met and whether the patient is in the least restrictive environment that 971 972 is appropriate for the patient's needs; and 973 (ii) designate, by order, the environment for the patient's care and the period for which 974 the patient shall be treated, which may not extend beyond expiration of the original order of 975 commitment. 976 [(4)] (3) [Nothing contained in this] This section [prevents] does not prevent a local 977 mental health authority or [its] the local mental health authority's designee[, pursuant to Section 978 62A-15-636,] from releasing or discharging a patient from commitment [or] in accordance with 979 Section 62A-15-631 or from placing a patient in an environment that is less restrictive than that 980 ordered by the court. 981 Section 11. Section 62A-15-643 is amended to read: 982 62A-15-643. Confidentiality of information and records -- Exceptions -- Penalty. 983 (1) All certificates, applications, records, and reports made for the purpose of this part. 984 including those made on judicial proceedings for [involuntary] civil commitment, that directly 985 or indirectly identify a patient or former patient or an individual whose commitment has been sought under this part, [shall be kept] are confidential and may not be disclosed by any person 986 987 [except insofar as] unless: 988 (a) the individual identified or $\left[\frac{his}{his}\right]$ the individual's legal guardian, if any, or, if a

989 minor, [his] the individual's parent or legal guardian [shall consent], consents to disclosure; 990 (b) disclosure may be necessary to [carry out the provisions of]: 991 (i) carry out the provisions of this part[; or (ii)] or Section 53-10-208.1; or 992 (ii) assist a mental health officer or peace officer to locate and transport to a treatment 993 facility or behavioral health receiving center an individual who: 994 (A) is under a court order for civil commitment or assisted outpatient treatment; 995 (B) has missed two or more court-ordered review hearings relating to the order; and 996 (C) if untreated, is likely to experience deterioration in a mental condition that results 997 in the individual being a danger to self or others; or 998 (c) a court [may direct, upon its] directs disclosure, upon the court's determination that disclosure is necessary for the conduct of proceedings before [it,] the court and that failure to 999 1000 make the disclosure would be contrary to the public interest. 1001 (2) A person who knowingly or intentionally discloses any information [not authorized by] in violation of this section is guilty of a class B misdemeanor. 1002 1003 Section 12. Section 77-15-2 is amended to read: 77-15-2. Definitions. 1004 1005 As used in this chapter: (1) "Brain injury" means the same as that term is defined in Section 62A-5-101. 1006 1007 [(1)] (2) "Competency evaluation" means an evaluation conducted by a forensic evaluator to determine if an individual is competent to stand trial. 1008 $\left[\frac{2}{2}\right]$ (3) "Competent to stand trial" means that a defendant has: 1009 1010 (a) a rational and factual understanding of the criminal proceedings against the defendant and of the punishment specified for the offense charged; and 1011 1012 (b) the ability to consult with the defendant's legal counsel with a reasonable degree of 1013 rational understanding in order to assist in the defense. 1014 [(3)] (4) "Department" means the Department of Human Services. $\left[\frac{4}{1}\right]$ (5) "Forensic evaluator" means a licensed mental health professional who $\left[\frac{1}{15}\right]$: 1015 (a) is not involved in the defendant's treatment; [and] 1016 1017 (b) is trained and qualified [by the department] to conduct a competency evaluation[, a restoration screening.] and a progress toward competency evaluation[.] based on knowledge. 1018 1019 experience, or education relating to:

1020 (i) intellectual functioning or other similar conditions or psychopathology; and 1021 (ii) the legal system and the rights of a defendant in a criminal trial; and 1022 (c) if under contract with the department, demonstrates ongoing education and training 1023 relating to forensic mental health in accordance with rules established by the department in 1024 accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act. 1025 [(5)] (6) "Incompetent to proceed" means that a defendant is not competent to stand trial as a result of a mental illness, intellectual disability, brain injury, or a related condition. 1026 (7) "Intellectual disability" means a disorder with onset during an individual's period of 1027 1028 development that includes both intellectual and adaptive functioning deficits in conceptual, 1029 social, and practical domains. 1030 (8) "Mental illness" means the same as that term is defined in Section 62A-15-602. 1031 [(6)] (9) "Petition" means a petition to request a court to determine whether a defendant 1032 is competent to stand trial. 1033 [(7)] (10) "Progress toward competency evaluation" means an evaluation to determine whether an individual who is receiving restoration treatment is: 1034 1035 (a) competent to stand trial; 1036 (b) incompetent to proceed but has a substantial probability of becoming competent to 1037 stand trial in the foreseeable future: or 1038 (c) incompetent to proceed and does not have a substantial probability of becoming 1039 competent to stand trial in the foreseeable future. 1040 (11) "Related condition" means the same as that term is defined in Section 78A-6-105. [(8) "Restoration screening" means an assessment of an individual determined to be 1041 1042 incompetent to stand trial for the purpose of determining the appropriate placement and 1043 restoration treatment for the individual.] 1044 $\left[\frac{(9)}{(12)}\right]$ (12) "Restoration treatment" means training and treatment that is: 1045 (a) provided to an individual who is incompetent to proceed; 1046 (b) tailored to the individual's particular impairment to competency; and 1047 (c) limited to the purpose of restoring the individual to competency. 1048 Section 13. Section 77-15-3 is amended to read: 1049 77-15-3. Petition for inquiry regarding defendant -- Filing -- Contents. 1050 (1) When a defendant charged with a public offense [or serving a sentence of

1051 imprisonment is] may be incompetent to proceed, [an individual described in Subsection (2)(b) 1052 may file a petition a petition shall be filed in the district court of the county where the charge 1053 is pending [or where the defendant is confined]. 1054 (2) (a) The petition shall contain: 1055 (i) a certificate that [it] the petition is filed in good faith and on [reasonable grounds to 1056 believe] reasonable belief that the defendant is incompetent to proceed[. The petition shall 1057 contain] on the offense charged; 1058 (ii) a recital of the facts, observations, and conversations with the defendant that have 1059 formed the basis for the petition[-]; and (iii) each charged offense for which the petitioner reasonably believes the defendant is 1060 1061 incompetent to proceed. 1062 (b) If filed by defense counsel, the petition may not disclose information in violation of 1063 the attorney-client privilege. 1064 [(b)] (c) The petition may be based upon knowledge or information and belief and may 1065 be filed by the defendant, any person acting on behalf of the defendant, the prosecuting 1066 attorney, or any person having custody or supervision over the defendant. Section 14. Section 77-15-3.5 is amended to read: 1067 1068 77-15-3.5. Incompetent to proceed in misdemeanor cases. 1069 (1) When a defendant charged with a misdemean r [is] may be incompetent to 1070 proceed, a petition [may] shall be filed [in the district court of the county where the charge is 1071 pending or where the defendant is confined] in accordance with Section 77-15-3. 1072 (2) If the most severe charge against a defendant is a misdemeanor and the defendant is 1073 adjudicated by a court as incompetent to proceed: 1074 (a) the department shall provide restoration treatment to the defendant; and 1075 (b) the court may refer the defendant to pretrial diversion services, upon agreement of 1076 the prosecution and defense counsel. 1077 (3) Unless the prosecutor or another individual indicates that civil commitment 1078 proceedings will be initiated under Subsection 77-15-6(5)(c), [a] the court shall release a 1079 defendant who is incompetent to proceed if: 1080 (a) the most severe charge against the defendant is [no more severe than] a class B misdemeanor; 1081

1082	(b) more than $[\frac{60}{30}]$ days have passed after the day on which the court adjudicated the
1083	defendant incompetent to proceed; and
1084	(c) restoration treatment has been provided to the defendant and the defendant [has not
1085	been] is not restored to competency.
1086	(4) [A] <u>The</u> court may dismiss the charges against a defendant who [was] is released
1087	under Subsection (3).
1088	Section 15. Section 77-15-4 is amended to read:
1089	77-15-4. Court may raise issue of competency at any time Findings regarding
1090	competency.
1091	(1) The court in which a charge is pending may raise the issue of a defendant's
1092	competency at any time.
1093	(2) If the issue of the defendant's competency is raised by the court, the court shall:
1094	(a) permit counsel for each party to address the issue of competency[-]; and
1095	(b) make a finding regarding whether there is a bona fide doubt as to the defendant's
1096	competency to stand trial.
1097	Section 16. Section 77-15-5 is amended to read:
1098	77-15-5. Order for hearing Stay of other proceedings Examinations of
1099	defendant Scope of examination and report.
1100	(1) A court in which criminal proceedings are pending shall stay all criminal
1101	proceedings, if:
1102	(a) a petition is filed under Section 77-15-3 or 77-15-3.5; or
1103	(b) the court raises the issue of the defendant's competency [under Section 77-15-4.]
1104	and makes a finding that there is a bona fide doubt as to the defendant's competency to stand
1105	trial under Section 77-15-4.
1106	(2) The court in which the petition described in Subsection (1)(a) is filed:
1107	(a) shall inform the court in which criminal proceedings are pending of the petition, if
1108	the petition is not filed in the court in which criminal proceedings are pending;
1109	(b) shall review the allegations of incompetency;
1110	(c) may hold a limited hearing solely for the purpose of determining the sufficiency of
1111	the petition, if the court finds the petition is not clearly sufficient on [its] the petition's face;
1112	(d) shall hold a hearing, if the petition is opposed by either party; and

1113	(e) may not order an examination of the defendant or order a hearing on the mental
1114	condition of the defendant unless the court finds that the allegations in the petition raise a bona
1115	fide doubt as to the defendant's competency to stand trial[; and].
1116	(3) The parties' stipulation to a bona fide doubt about the defendant's competency to
1117	stand trial may not take the place of a petition under this section.
1118	[(f)] (4) (a) [if] If the court finds that [the allegations raise] there is a bona fide doubt as
1119	to the defendant's competency to stand trial, the court shall $order[: (i)]$ the department to have
1120	[the defendant evaluated by] one or two forensic evaluators complete a competency evaluation
1121	for the defendant in accordance with Subsection (4)(b) and provide a report to the court
1122	concerning the competency of the defendant to stand trial.
1123	(b) The court shall order the department to have the defendant evaluated by one
1124	forensic evaluator[, if: (A) the most severe charge against the defendant is a misdemeanor; or]
1125	<u>unless:</u>
1126	[(B) the defendant is charged with a felony but is not charged with a capital felony, and
1127	the court determines, based upon the allegations in the petition, that a second competency
1128	evaluation is not necessary;]
1129	[(ii) the department to have the defendant evaluated by two forensic evaluators, if:]
1130	$\left[\frac{(A)}{(A)}\right]$ (i) the defendant is charged with a capital felony; or
1131	[(B)] (ii) the defendant is charged with a felony [but is not charged with] that is not a
1132	capital felony, and the court determines, based [upon] \underline{on} the allegations in the petition, that [a
1133	second competency evaluation is necessary; and] good cause exists to order two competency
1134	evaluations.
1135	[(iii) the defendant to be evaluated by an additional forensic evaluator, if requested by a
1136	party, who shall:]
1137	[(A) select the additional forensic evaluator; and]
1138	[(B) pay for the costs of the additional forensic evaluator.]
1139	(c) (i) This section does not prohibit a party from seeking an additional forensic
1140	evaluator to conduct a competency evaluation of the defendant.
1141	(ii) If a party seeks an additional competency evaluation under this Subsection (4)(c),
1142	the party shall:
1143	(A) select the additional forensic evaluator; and

1144	(B) pay the costs of the additional forensic evaluator.
1145	(d) The parties' stipulation to a bona fide doubt as to the defendant's competency to
1146	stand trial may not take the place of a competency evaluation ordered under this Subsection (4).
1147	$\left[\frac{(3)}{(5)}\right]$ (5) (a) If the petition or other information sufficiently raises concerns that the
1148	defendant may have [intellectual or developmental disabilities] an intellectual disability or
1149	related condition, or a brain injury, at least one forensic evaluator who is experienced in
1150	[intellectual or developmental disability] assessments of intellectual disabilities or related
1151	conditions, or brain injuries shall conduct a competency evaluation.
1152	(b) The petitioner or other party, as directed by the court or requested by the
1153	department, shall provide to the forensic evaluator <u>nonmedical</u> information and materials
1154	relevant to a determination of the defendant's competency, including the charging document,
1155	arrest or incident reports pertaining to the charged offense, and known criminal history
1156	information[, and known prior mental health evaluations and treatments].
1157	(c) For purposes of a competency evaluation, a [court may order that custodians]
1158	custodian of mental health records pertaining to the defendant [provide those records],
1159	including the defendant's prior mental health evaluations or records relating to the defendant's
1160	substance use disorder, may provide the records to:
1161	(i) with the defendant's consent, [to] a forensic evaluator [without the need for consent
1162	of the defendant.] or the department upon the department's request; or
1163	(ii) a forensic evaluator by court order.
1164	(d) A court order under Subsection (5)(c) shall include a protective order that expires
1165	180 days after the day on which:
1166	(i) the defendant is found guilty;
1167	(ii) the defendant enters a guilty plea;
1168	(iii) the court sentences the defendant; or
1169	(iv) if the case is appealed, the day on which the final appeal is resolved.
1170	(e) (i) Except as otherwise provided by law and in Subsections (5)(e)(ii) and (f), the
1171	court shall order the forensic evaluator to destroy all records subject to the protective order
1172	within the 180-day period described in Subsection (5)(d).
1173	(ii) A forensic evaluator is not required to destroy the records subject to the protective
1174	order if destroying the records is a violation of the ethical standards the forensic evaluator is

1175	subject to for occupational licensing.
1176	(f) The court may extend the protective order described in Subsection (5)(d) if:
1177	(i) the court finds the defendant incompetent to proceed without a substantial
1178	probability that the defendant will become competent in the foreseeable future;
1179	(ii) the prosecutor or another individual indicates to the court that the prosecutor or
1180	individual will seek civil commitment of the defendant under Section 77-15-6; and
1181	(iii) the court orders the records be maintained and used only for purposes of
1182	examining the defendant in connection with a petition for civil commitment.
1183	$\left[\frac{d}{d}\right]$ (g) An order for a competency evaluation may not contain an order for any other
1184	inquiry into the mental state of the defendant that is not described in Subsection (5)(a).
1185	[(4)] (6) Pending a competency evaluation, unless the court or the department directs
1186	otherwise, the defendant shall be retained in the same custody or status that the defendant was
1187	in at the time the [examination] competency evaluation was ordered.
1188	[(5)] (7) (a) In [the conduct of] conducting a competency evaluation[, a progress
1189	toward competency evaluation,] and in $[a]$ the report to the court, $[a]$ the forensic evaluator
1190	shall consider and address, in addition to any other factors determined to be relevant by the
1191	forensic evaluator:
1192	[(a)] (i) the impact of the defendant's mental illness, intellectual disability or related
1193	condition, or brain injury on the defendant's present ability to:
1194	[(i)] (A) rationally and factually understand the criminal proceedings against the
1195	defendant; and
1196	[(ii)] (B) consult with the defendant's legal counsel with a reasonable degree of rational
1197	understanding in order to assist in the defense[;].
1198	(b) In making the determinations described in Subsection (7)(a), the forensic evaluator
1199	may consider:
1200	(i) the defendant's present ability to:
1201	[(iii)] (A) understand the charges or allegations against the defendant;
1202	[(iv)] (B) communicate facts, events, and states of mind;
1203	[(v)] (C) understand the range of possible penalties associated with the charges or
1204	allegations against the defendant;
1205	[(vi)] (D) engage in reasoned choice of legal strategies and options;

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1206	[(vii)] (E) understand the adversarial nature of the proceedings against the defendant;
1207	[(viii)] (F) manifest behavior sufficient to allow the court to proceed; and
1208	[(ix)] (G) testify relevantly, if applicable; and
1209	[(b) the impact of the mental disorder or intellectual disability, if any, on the nature and
1210	quality of the defendant's relationship with counsel;]
1211	[(c) if psychoactive medication is currently being administered:]
1212	[(i) whether the medication is necessary to maintain the defendant's competency; and]
1213	[(ii) whether the medication may have an effect on the defendant's demeanor, affect,
1214	and ability to participate in the proceedings; and]
1215	[(d)] (ii) whether the defendant is exhibiting false or exaggerated physical or
1216	psychological symptoms relevant to the defendant's capacity to stand trial.
1217	(c) The forensic evaluator shall consider the totality of the circumstances when
1218	determining whether the defendant is competent to stand trial and may not consider a factor
1219	described in Subsection (7)(a) or (b) as solely determinative of whether the defendant is
1220	competent to stand trial.
1221	[(6)] (8) [If the forensic evaluator's opinion is] Upon a determination that the defendant
1222	is incompetent to proceed, the forensic evaluator shall indicate in [the] a report to the court:
1223	(a) the factors that contribute to the defendant's incompetency, including the nature of
1224	the defendant's mental [disorder or] <u>illness,</u> intellectual [or developmental] disability[,] <u>or</u>
1225	related condition, or brain injury, if any, and its relationship to the factors contributing to the
1226	defendant's incompetency; [and]
1227	(b) whether there is a substantial probability that:
1228	(i) restoration treatment may[, in the foreseeable future,] bring the defendant to
1229	competency to stand trial[, or that] in the foreseeable future; or
1230	(ii) the defendant cannot become competent to stand trial in the foreseeable future $[-]$:
1231	and
1232	(c) whether the defendant would benefit from restoration treatment; and
1233	(d) if the forensic evaluator makes the determination under Subsection (8)(b)(i) or (c),
1234	an explanation of the reason for the determination and a summary of the treatment provided to
1235	the defendant in the past.
1236	$\frac{1}{(7)}$ (9) (a) A forensic evaluator shall provide $\begin{bmatrix} an \end{bmatrix}$ the initial report regarding the

1237	evaluator's opinion of whether the defendant is competent to stand trial to the court and the
1238	prosecuting and defense attorneys within 30 days [of the receipt of the court's order. The report
1239	shall inform the court of the examiner's opinion concerning the competency of the defendant to
1240	stand trial] after the day on which the forensic evaluator receives the court's order under
1241	Subsection (4)(a).
1242	(b) (i) If the forensic evaluator is unable to complete the report in the time specified in
1243	Subsection $[(7)]$ (9)(a), the forensic evaluator shall give written notice to the court.
1244	(ii) A forensic evaluator who provides the notice described in Subsection $[(7)]$ (9)(b)(i)
1245	shall receive a 15-day extension, giving the forensic evaluator a total of 45 days after the day
1246	on which the forensic evaluator received the court's order to conduct a competency evaluation
1247	and file a report.
1248	(iii) The court may further extend the deadline for completion of the evaluation and
1249	report if the court determines that there is good cause for the extension.
1250	(iv) Upon receipt of an extension described in Subsection $[(7)]$ (9)(b)(iii), the forensic
1251	evaluator shall file the report as soon as reasonably possible.
1252	[(8)] (10) $[Any]$ A written report submitted by a forensic evaluator shall:
1253	(a) identify the case ordered for evaluation by the case number;
1254	(b) state the forensic evaluator's name and qualifications;
1255	[(b)] (c) describe the procedures, techniques, and tests used in the examination [and],
1256	the purpose [or purposes] for each, and the time spent by the forensic evaluator with the
1257	defendant for purposes of the examination;
1258	[(c)] (d) state the forensic evaluator's clinical observations, findings, and opinions on
1259	each [issue referred for examination by the court, and indicate specifically those issues, if any,
1260	on which the forensic evaluator could not give an opinion; and] factor described in Subsection
1261	<u>(7);</u>
1262	[(d)] (e) identify the sources of information used by the forensic evaluator and present
1263	the basis for the forensic evaluator's clinical findings and opinions[-]; and
1264	(f) state the compensation to be paid to the forensic evaluator for the report.
1265	[(9)] (11) (a) Any statement made by the defendant in the course of any competency
1266	examination, [whether the examination is with or without the consent of the defendant,] any
1267	testimony by a forensic evaluator based upon the statement, and any other fruits of the

statement may not be admitted in evidence against the defendant in any criminal proceeding
except on an issue respecting mental condition on which the defendant has introduced
evidence[. The evidence may be admitted, however, where], unless the evidence is relevant to
a determination of the defendant's competency.
(b) Before examining the defendant, the forensic evaluator shall specifically advise the
defendant of the limits of confidentiality [as provided] under Subsection [(9)] (11)(a).

1274 [(10)] (12) (a) Upon receipt of the forensic evaluators' reports, the court shall set a date
1275 for a competency hearing[. The hearing shall be held] not less than [5] five and not more than
1276 15 days after the day on which the court received the forensic evaluators' reports, unless for
1277 good cause the court sets a later date.

(b) [Any] <u>A</u> person directed by the department to conduct the competency evaluation
may be subpoenaed to testify at the hearing.

(c) (i) The court may call [any] <u>a</u> forensic evaluator to testify at the hearing who is not
called by the parties.

1282 (ii) If the court calls a forensic evaluator to testify, counsel for the parties may 1283 cross-examine the forensic evaluator.

(d) (i) If the forensic evaluators are in conflict as to the competency of the defendant,
all forensic evaluators should be called to testify at the hearing if reasonably available.

(ii) A conflict in the opinions of the forensic evaluators does not require the
 appointment of an additional forensic evaluator unless the court [determines] finds good cause
 for the appointment [to be necessary].

1289 [(11)] (13) (a) (i) A defendant shall be presumed competent to stand trial unless the 1290 court, by a preponderance of the evidence, finds the defendant incompetent to proceed.

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(ii) The burden of proof is [upon] on the proponent of incompetency at the hearing.

(b) An adjudication of incompetent to proceed does not operate as an adjudication of
incompetency to give informed consent for medical treatment or for any other purpose, unless
specifically set forth in the court order.

[(12)] (14) In determining the defendant's competency to stand trial, the court shall
consider the totality of the circumstances, which may include the testimony of lay witnesses,
[in addition to] the forensic evaluator's [report, testimony, and studies] testimony and report
and the materials on which the report is based, and any other relevant considerations.

1299	[(13)] (15) If the court finds the defendant incompetent to proceed:
1300	(a) the court shall issue [the] an order [described in] in accordance with Subsection
1301	77-15-6(1), which shall:
1302	(i) include findings addressing each of the factors in Subsection $\left[\frac{(5)}{(7)}\right]$ (2);
1303	(ii) include a transportation order, if necessary;
1304	(iii) be accompanied by the forensic evaluators' reports, any psychiatric, psychological,
1305	or social work reports submitted to the court relative to the mental condition of the defendant,
1306	and any other documents made available to the court by either the defense or the prosecution,
1307	pertaining to the defendant's current or past mental condition; and
1308	(iv) be sent by the court to the department; and
1309	(b) the prosecuting attorney shall provide to the department:
1310	(i) the charging document and probable cause statement, if any;
1311	(ii) arrest or incident reports prepared by law enforcement and pertaining to the
1312	charged offense; and
1313	(iii) additional supporting documents.
1314	[(14)] (16) The court may make any reasonable order to ensure compliance with this
1315	section.
1316	[(15)] (17) Failure to comply with this section does not result in the dismissal of
1317	criminal charges.
1318	Section 17. Section 77-15-6 is amended to read:
1319	77-15-6. Commitment on finding of incompetency to stand trial Subsequent
1320	hearings Notice to prosecuting attorneys.
1321	(1) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (5), if after a hearing a court finds a defendant
1322	[to be] incompetent to proceed, the court shall [order the defendant committed to the
1323	department for restoration treatment.] determine, by a preponderance of the evidence, whether
1324	the defendant is:
1325	(i) incompetent to proceed, with a substantial probability that the defendant will
1326	become competent in the foreseeable future; or
1327	(ii) incompetent to proceed, without a substantial probability that the defendant will
1328	become competent in the foreseeable future.

1330	(1)(a)(i), the court shall order the defendant be committed to the department for restoration
1331	treatment.
1332	(ii) If the court finds a defendant is incompetent to proceed under Subsection (1)(a)(ii),
1333	the court shall proceed in accordance with Subsections (7) through (12).
1334	[(b)] (c) (i) (A) Except as provided in Subsection (1)(c)(i)(B), the [The] court may
1335	recommend but may not order placement of [the] \underline{a} defendant[. The] who is found incompetent
1336	to proceed under Subsection (1)(a)(i).
1337	(B) The court may[, however,] order that the defendant be placed in a secure setting
1338	rather than a nonsecure setting.
1339	(ii) Following restoration screening, the department's designee shall designate and
1340	inform the court of the specific placement and restoration treatment program for the defendant.
1341	[(c)] (d) Restoration treatment shall be of sufficient scope and duration to:
1342	(i) restore the [individual] defendant to competency; or
1343	(ii) determine whether the [individual] defendant can be restored to competency in the
1344	foreseeable future.
1345	[(d)] (e) A defendant whom a court determines is incompetent to proceed <u>under</u>
1346	Subsection (1)(a)(i) may not be held for restoration treatment longer than:
1347	(i) the time reasonably necessary to determine [whether there is a substantial
1348	probability that the defendant will become competent to stand trial in the foreseeable future, or]
1349	that the defendant cannot become competent to stand trial in the foreseeable future; and
1350	(ii) the maximum period of incarceration that the defendant could receive if the
1351	defendant were convicted of the most severe offense of the offenses charged.
1352	(2) (a) A defendant who is receiving restoration treatment shall receive a progress
1353	toward competency evaluation, by:
1354	(i) a forensic evaluator, designated by the department; and
1355	(ii) an additional forensic evaluator, if requested by a party and paid for by the
1356	[requesting] party.
1357	(b) A forensic evaluator shall complete a progress toward competency evaluation and
1358	submit a report within 90 days after the day on which the forensic evaluator receives the
1359	commitment order[. If the forensic evaluator is unable to complete the report within 90 days,
1360	the forensic evaluator shall provide to the court and counsel a summary progress statement that

1361	informs the court that additional time is necessary to complete the report, in which case the
1362	examiner shall have up to an additional 45 days to provide the full report] from the department.
1363	(c) The report shall:
1364	[(i) assess whether the defendant is exhibiting false or exaggerated physical or
1365	psychological symptoms;]
1366	[(ii)] (i) describe any diagnostic instruments, methods, and observations used by the
1367	[examiner] evaluator to make the determination;
1368	(ii) describe the defendant's current mental illness, intellectual disability or related
1369	condition, or brain injury, if any;
1370	[(iii) state the forensic evaluator's opinion as to the effect of any false or exaggerated
1371	symptoms on the defendant's competency to stand trial;]
1372	[(iv) assess the facility's or program's capacity to provide appropriate restoration
1373	treatment for the defendant;]
1374	[(v) assess the nature of restoration treatment provided to the defendant;]
1375	[(vi)] (iii) assess what progress the defendant has made toward competency restoration,
1376	with respect to the factors described in Subsection 77-15-5(7) or identified by the court in [its]
1377	the court's initial order;
1378	[(vii) describe the defendant's current level of intellectual or developmental disability
1379	and need for treatment, if any; and]
1380	(iv) assess whether the defendant can reasonably be restored to competency in the
1381	foreseeable future given the restoration treatment currently being provided and the facility or
1382	program's capacity to provide appropriate restoration treatment for the defendant;
1383	[(viii)] (v) assess [the likelihood of restoration to competency,] the amount of time
1384	estimated to achieve competency, or the amount of time estimated to determine whether
1385	restoration to competency may be achieved[-]; and
1386	(vi) assess whether the defendant is exhibiting false or exaggerated physical or
1387	psychological symptoms and state the evaluator's opinion on the impact of any false or
1388	exaggerated symptoms on the defendant's competency to stand trial.
1389	(3) (a) The court on [its] the court's own motion or upon motion by either party or the
1390	department may appoint an additional forensic evaluator to conduct a progress toward
1391	competency evaluation.

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1392 (b) If the court appoints an additional forensic evaluator upon motion of a party, that 1393 party shall pay the costs of the additional forensic evaluator. 1394 (4) (a) Within 15 days after the day on which the court receives $\left[\frac{1}{100}\right]$ a forensic 1395 evaluator's report of the progress toward competency evaluation, the court shall hold a hearing 1396 to review the defendant's competency. 1397 (b) At the hearing described in Subsection (4)(a), the burden of proving that the 1398 defendant is [competent] incompetent to stand trial is on the proponent of [competency] 1399 incompetency. 1400 (c) Following the hearing described in Subsection (4)(a), the court shall determine by a 1401 preponderance of evidence whether the defendant is: 1402 $\left[\frac{(a)}{(a)}\right]$ (i) competent to stand trial; 1403 $\left[\frac{b}{b}\right]$ (ii) incompetent to proceed, with a substantial probability that the defendant 1404 [may] will become competent in the foreseeable future: or 1405 [(c)] (iii) incompetent to proceed, without a substantial probability that the defendant 1406 [may] will become competent in the foreseeable future. 1407 (5) (a) If, at any time, the court determines that the defendant is competent to stand 1408 trial, the court shall: 1409 (i) proceed with the trial or other procedures as may be necessary to adjudicate the 1410 charges; and 1411 (ii) order that the defendant be returned to the placement and status that the defendant 1412 was in at the time [when] the petition for the adjudication of competency was filed or raised by 1413 the court, unless the court determines that [a different] placement of the defendant in a less 1414 restrictive environment is more appropriate. 1415 (b) If the court determines that the defendant is [not competent] incompetent to 1416 proceed [but that there is] with a substantial probability that the defendant [may] will become 1417 competent in the foreseeable future, the court may order that the defendant remain committed 1418 to the department or the department's designee for the purpose of restoration treatment. 1419 (c) (i) If the court determines that the defendant is incompetent to proceed $\begin{bmatrix} and that \end{bmatrix}$ 1420 there is not without a substantial probability that the defendant [may] will become competent 1421 in the foreseeable future, the court shall order the defendant released from commitment to the 1422 department, unless the prosecutor or another individual informs the court that civil

1423	commitment proceedings [pursuant to] in accordance with Title 62A, Chapter 5, Services for
1424	People with Disabilities, or Title 62A, Chapter 15, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Act,
1425	will be initiated.
1426	(ii) [These] The civil commitment proceedings described in this Subsection (5)(c) must
1427	be initiated by a petition filed within seven days after the day on which the court makes the
1428	determination described in Subsection (4)(c), unless the court finds that there is good cause to
1429	delay the initiation of the civil commitment proceedings.
1430	(iii) The court may order the defendant to remain [in the commitment of] committed to
1431	the department until the civil commitment proceedings described in this Subsection (5)(c)
1432	conclude.
1433	(iv) If the defendant is civilly committed and admitted to the Utah State Hospital, the
1434	department shall [notify] provide notice to the [court that adjudicated the defendant
1435	incompetent to proceed] persons described in Subsection 62A-15-631(16)(f)(i) that the
1436	defendant will be discharged at least [10] $\underline{60}$ days before [any release of the committed
1437	individual] the day on which the department anticipates the defendant will be discharged.
1438	(6) If a court, under Subsection (5)(b), extends a defendant's commitment, the court
1439	shall schedule a competency review hearing for the earlier of:
1440	(a) the department's best estimate of when the defendant may be restored to
1441	competency; or
1442	(b) three months after the day on which the court determined under Subsection (5)(b)
1443	to extend the defendant's commitment.
1444	(7) [H] Unless the defendant is charged with a crime listed in Subsection (8), if a
1445	defendant is [not competent] incompetent to proceed by the day of the competency review
1446	hearing that follows the extension of a defendant's commitment, [a] the court shall:
1447	(a) [except for a defendant charged with crimes listed in Subsection (8),] order [a] the
1448	defendant <u>be</u> :
1449	(i) released[; or (ii)] or temporarily detained pending civil commitment proceedings
1450	[under the same terms] as described in Subsection (5)(c); and
1451	[(b)] (ii) terminate the defendant's commitment [to the department] for restoration
1452	treatment[.]; or
1453	(b) if the forensic evaluator reports to the court that there is a substantial possibility

1454	that restoration treatment will bring the defendant to competency to stand trial in the
1455	foreseeable future, extend the defendant's commitment for restoration treatment for up to 45
1456	days.
1457	(8) If the defendant [has been] is charged with aggravated murder, murder, attempted
1458	murder, manslaughter, or a first degree felony and the court determines that the defendant is
1459	making reasonable progress towards restoration of competency at the time of the hearing held
1460	[pursuant to] under Subsection (6), the court may extend the commitment for a period not to
1461	exceed [9] <u>nine</u> months for the purpose of restoration treatment, with a mandatory review
1462	hearing at the end of the [9-month] <u>nine-month</u> period.
1463	(9) [H] Unless the defendant is charged with aggravated murder or murder, if, at the
1464	[9-month] <u>nine-month</u> review hearing described in Subsection (8), the court determines that the
1465	defendant is [not competent] incompetent to proceed, the court shall:
1466	(a) (i) order the defendant [, except for a defendant charged with aggravated murder or
1467	murder, to be: (i) released; or (ii)] be released or temporarily detained pending civil
1468	commitment proceedings [under the same terms as provided] as described in Subsection (5)(c);
1469	and
1470	[(b)] (ii) terminate the defendant's commitment to the department for restoration
1471	treatment[.]; or
1472	(b) if the forensic evaluator reports to the court that there is a substantial possibility
1473	that restoration treatment will bring the defendant to competency to stand trial in the
1474	foreseeable future, extend the defendant's commitment for restoration treatment for up to 135
1475	days.
1476	(10) If the defendant [has been] is charged with aggravated murder or murder and the
1477	court determines that the defendant is making reasonable progress towards restoration of
1478	competency at the time of the [9-month] nine-month review hearing described in Subsection
1479	(8), the court may extend the commitment for a period not to exceed 24 months for the purpose
1480	of restoration treatment.
1481	(11) If the court extends the defendant's commitment term under Subsection (10), the
1482	court shall hold a hearing no less frequently than at 12-month intervals following the extension
1483	for the purpose of determining the defendant's competency status.
1484	(12) If, at the end of the 24-month commitment period described in Subsection (10),

1485	the court determines that the defendant is [not competent] incompetent to proceed, the court
1486	shall:
1487	(a) (i) order the defendant [to be: (i) released; or (ii)] be released or temporarily
1488	detained pending civil commitment proceedings [under the same terms as provided] as
1489	described in Subsection (5)(c); and
1490	[(b)] (ii) terminate the defendant's commitment [to the department] for restoration
1491	treatment[-]; or
1492	(b) if the forensic evaluator reports to the court that there is a substantial possibility
1493	that restoration treatment will bring the defendant to competency to stand trial in the
1494	foreseeable future, extend the defendant's commitment for restoration treatment for up to one
1495	year.
1496	(13) Neither release from a pretrial incompetency commitment under the provisions of
1497	this section nor civil commitment requires dismissal of criminal charges. The court may retain
1498	jurisdiction over the criminal case and may order periodic reviews.
1499	(14) A defendant who is civilly committed [pursuant to] under Title 62A, Chapter 5,
1500	Services for People with Disabilities, or Title 62A, Chapter 15, Substance Abuse and Mental
1501	Health Act, may still be adjudicated competent to stand trial under this chapter.
1502	(15) (a) The remedy for a violation of the time periods specified in this section, other
1503	than those specified in [Subsection] Subsections (5)(c), (7), (9), [or] and (12), shall be a motion
1504	to compel the hearing, or mandamus, but not release from detention or dismissal of the
1505	criminal charges.
1506	(b) The remedy for a violation of [the time periods] a time period specified in
1507	Subsection (5)(c), (7), (9), or (12), [or] is not dismissal of the criminal charges.
1508	(16) In cases in which the treatment of the defendant is precluded by court order for a
1509	period of time, [that] the time period may not be considered in computing time limitations
1510	under this section.
1511	(17) (a) [At any time that the] If, at any time, the defendant becomes competent to
1512	stand trial while the defendant is committed to the department, the clinical director of the
1513	[hospital] Utah State Hospital, the department, or the department's designee shall certify that
1514	fact to the court.
1515	(b) The court shall conduct a competency review hearing:

1516	(i) within 15 working days after the day on which the court receives the certification
1517	described in Subsection (17)(a); or
1518	(ii) within 30 working days after the day on which the court receives the certification
1519	described in Subsection (17)(a), if the court determines that more than 15 working days are
1520	necessary for good cause related to the defendant's competency.
1521	(18) The court may order a hearing [or rehearing] at any time on [its] the court's own
1522	motion or upon recommendations of the clinical director of the [hospital] Utah State Hospital
1523	or other facility or the department.
1524	(19) Notice of a hearing on competency to stand trial shall be given to the prosecuting
1525	attorney and all counsel of record as described in Subsection 62A-15-631(16)(f)(i)(C). [If the
1526	hearing is held in the county where the defendant is confined, notice shall also be given to the
1527	prosecuting attorney for that county.]