



AGENDA

JUDICIARY INTERIM COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE Wednesday, October 15, 2025 | 1:15 PM | Room 20 House Building

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1. Committee Business

- Call to order and approval of the minutes of the September 16, 2025, meeting

2. Draft Legislation: "Adoption Amendments"

The committee will consider draft legislation that amends various provisions relating to adoption, including adoption agency licensing requirements, advertising regulations, reporting obligations, and liability. The bill also addresses adoption-related expenses and fees, counseling for birth parents, requirements for consenting to adoption, and the circumstances under which consent may be revoked.

- Representative Katy Hall
- Committee discussion
- Public comment
- Committee action

3. Legislative Review of Sentencing Guidelines

Utah Code 63M-7-406 requires the Utah Sentencing Commission to annually submit the guidelines to the Legislature for review. The committee will receive presentations on the review process and any key changes to the guidelines.

- Jonathan Adams, Policy Analyst, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel (OLRGC)
- Dan Strong, Director, Utah Sentencing Commission
- Committee discussion
- Public comment
- Committee action

4. Draft Legislation: "Joint Resolution Regarding Constitutional Brackets"

The committee will consider a draft resolution that directs OLRGC to remove the brackets surrounding titles in future constitutional amendments and the published Utah Constitution.

- Andrea Valenti Arthur, Managing Associate General Counsel, OLRGC
- Committee discussion
- Public comment
- Committee action

5. Draft Legislation: "Service Animal Amendments"

The committee will consider draft legislation that requires the Division of Corporations and Commercial Code to publish the contact information and website of the protection and advocacy agency that can assist the public in understanding the current laws and regulations regarding service animals. The bill also enhances the penalty for injuring, harassing, or endangering a service animal.

- Representative Karianne Lisonbee
- Committee discussion
- Public comment
- Committee action

6. Other Items/Adjourn