

1  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6  
7  
8  
9  
10  
11  
12  
13  
14  
15  
16  
17  
18  
19  
20  
21  
22  
23  
24  
25  
26  
27

**Pollinator Program Amendments**  
2025 GENERAL SESSION  
STATE OF UTAH  
**Chief Sponsor: Ashlee Matthews**  
Senate Sponsor: Evan J. Vickers

---

---

**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill makes changes to the pollinator pilot program.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- renames the pollinator pilot program to the pollinator habitat program;
- repeals the scheduled sunset date for the pollinator pilot program;
- makes the pollinator habitat program permanent; and
- makes technical and conforming changes.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**4-2-701**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 375

**63I-1-204**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Third Special Session, Chapter 5

---

---

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

Section 1. Section **4-2-701** is amended to read:

**4-2-701 . Pollinator habitat program.**

- (1) Subject to the other provisions of this section, the department shall implement a [ ~~three-year pollinator pilot program~~ ] pollinator habitat program that includes one or more of the following:
- (a) public education efforts that include workshops, planting guides, or a public

- 28 education campaign to raise awareness about creating pollinator habitats;
- 29 (b) distribution of pollinator-friendly native flowering plants or seeds for native
- 30 flowering plants for planting within the state to protect a diversity of pollinators;
- 31 (c) pollinator programs run by local governments and nonprofit organizations with
- 32 support from the department; and
- 33 (d) grants that:
- 34 (i) are provided on a ~~[first-come-first-serve]~~ first-come, first-served basis; and
- 35 (ii) cover up to ~~[25%]~~ 75% of the costs for the planting of pollinator-friendly native
- 36 flowering plants or seeds for native flowering plants on private or public land.
- 37 ~~(2)(a) The cost to the department related to the native flowering plants or seeds~~
- 38 ~~described in Subsection (1) may not exceed \$60,000 in a fiscal year.]~~
- 39 ~~[(b)] (a)~~ The department may coordinate with the federal government, other state
- 40 agencies, state institutions of higher education, or political subdivisions to provide for
- 41 the activities described in Subsection (1).
- 42 ~~[(e)] (b)~~ The department may designate smaller areas of the state to begin the activities
- 43 described in Subsection (1).
- 44 (3) The department may make rules, in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah
- 45 Administrative Rulemaking Act, to establish:
- 46 (a) the criteria for receiving a grant under this section; and
- 47 (b) the process to apply for and receive a grant under this section.
- 48 Section 2. Section **63I-1-204** is amended to read:
- 49 **63I-1-204 . Repeal dates: Title 4.**
- 50 (1) Section 4-2-108, Agricultural Advisory Board created -- Composition -- Responsibility
- 51 -- Terms of office -- Compensation -- Executive committee, is repealed July 1, 2028.
- 52 ~~[(2) Title 4, Chapter 2, Part 7, Pollinator Pilot Program, is repealed July 1, 2026.]~~
- 53 ~~[(3)] (2)~~ Section 4-17-104, Creation of State Weed Committee -- Membership -- Powers and
- 54 duties -- Expenses, is repealed July 1, 2026.
- 55 ~~[(4)] (3)~~ Title 4, Chapter 18, Part 3, Utah Soil Health Program, is repealed July 1, 2026.
- 56 ~~[(5)] (4)~~ Section 4-20-103, Utah Grazing Improvement Program Advisory Board -- Duties,
- 57 is repealed July 1, 2032.
- 58 ~~[(6)] (5)~~ Section 4-23-104, Agricultural and Wildlife Damage Prevention Board created --
- 59 Composition -- Appointment -- Terms -- Vacancies -- Compensation, is repealed July 1,
- 60 2034.
- 61 ~~[(7)] (6)~~ Section 4-23-105, Board responsibilities -- Damage prevention policy -- Rules --

62 Methods to control predators and depredating birds and animals, is repealed July 1, 2034.

63 [~~8~~] (7) Section 4-24-104, Livestock Brand Board created -- Composition -- Terms --

64 Removal -- Quorum for transaction of business -- Compensation -- Duties, is repealed

65 July 1, 2025.

66 [~~9~~] (8) Section 4-39-104, Domesticated Elk Act advisory council, is repealed July 1, 2027.

67 [~~10~~] (9) Title 4, Chapter 46, Part 2, Land Conservation Board, is repealed July 1, 2027.

68 [~~11~~] (10) Subsection 4-46-304(2)(d), regarding the Land Conservation Board, is repealed

69 July 1, 2027.

70 [~~12~~] (11) Subsection 4-46-401(3)(a), regarding the Land Conservation Board, is repealed

71 July 1, 2027.

72 Section 3. **Effective date.**

73 This bill takes effect on May 7, 2025.