

# SB0110S01 compared with SB0110

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## Summons Modifications

2025 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Stephanie Pitcher**

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### LONG TITLE

#### General Description:

This bill addresses the issuance of a summons.

#### Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ {requires-} creates a {magistrate to issue} presumption against issuing a warrant in lieu of a summons in certain circumstances; {and}
- ▶ provides the requirements for overcoming the presumption; and
- ▶ makes technical and conforming changes.

#### Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

None

#### AMENDS:

**77-7-5**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 497, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 497

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

21 Section 1. Section **77-7-5** is amended to read:

22 **77-7-5. Issuance of summons or warrant -- Time and place arrests may be made -- Contents**  
23 **of warrant or summons -- Responsibility for transporting prisoners.**

22 (1) As used in this section:

23 (a) "Daytime hours" means the hours after 6 a.m. and before 10 p.m.

24 (b) "Nighttime hours" means the hours after 10 p.m. and before 6 a.m.

25 (2) A magistrate may issue a warrant for arrest in lieu of a summons for the appearance of the accused  
only upon finding:

27 (a) probable cause to believe that the person to be arrested has committed a public offense; and

29 (b) under [the] Rule 6 of the Utah Rules of Criminal Procedure[;] and this section that a warrant is  
necessary to:

31 (i) prevent risk of injury to a person or property;

32 (ii) secure the appearance of the accused; or

33 (iii) protect the public safety and welfare of the community or an individual.

36 (3) There is a presumption against the issuance of a warrant in lieu of a summons if:

37 (a) after being booked into jail on conduct that would constitute an offense, the accused was released  
from jail because the prosecuting attorney did not file an information within the time period required  
under Rule 9 of the Utah Rules of Criminal Procedure; and

41 (b) the prosecuting attorney filed an information more than 60 days after the day on which the accused  
was released from jail.

43 (4) The presumption described in Subsection (3) may be overcome if:

44 (a) the accused fails to appear on a served summons;

45 (b) a summons is unable to be served after good faith efforts; or

46 (c) the prosecuting attorney establishes good cause for issuing a warrant in lieu of a summons to:

48 (i) prevent risk of injury to a person or property; or

49 (ii) protect the public safety and welfare of the community or an individual.

34 [~~(3)~~] (5) If the offense charged is:

35 (a) a felony, the arrest upon a warrant may be made at any time of the day or night; or

36 (b) a misdemeanor, the arrest upon a warrant may be made during nighttime hours only if:

38 (i) the magistrate has endorsed authorization to do so on the warrant;

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- 39 (ii) the person to be arrested is upon a public highway, in a public place, or in a place open to or  
accessible to the public; or
- 41 (iii) the person to be arrested is encountered by a peace officer in the regular course of that peace  
officer's investigation of a criminal offense unrelated to the misdemeanor warrant for arrest.
- 44 ~~[(4)]~~ (6)
- . (a) If the magistrate determines that the accused must appear in court, the magistrate shall include  
in the arrest warrant the name of the law enforcement agency in the county or municipality with  
jurisdiction over the offense charged.
- 47 (b)
- . (i) The law enforcement agency identified by the magistrate under Subsection ~~[(4)(a)]~~ (6)(a) is  
responsible for providing inter-county transportation of the defendant, if necessary, from the  
arresting law enforcement agency to the court site.
- 50 (ii) The law enforcement agency named on the warrant may contract with another law enforcement  
agency to have a defendant transported.
- 52 ~~[(5)]~~ (7) The law enforcement agency identified by the magistrate under Subsection ~~[(4)(a)]~~ (6)(a)  
shall indicate to the court within 48 hours of the issuance, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal  
holidays if a warrant issued in accordance with this section is an extradition warrant.
- 56 ~~[(6)]~~ (8) The law enforcement agency identified by the magistrate under Subsection ~~[(4)(a)]~~ (6)(a) shall  
report any changes to the status of a warrant issued in accordance with this section to the Bureau of  
Criminal Identification.
- 59 ~~{(7)}~~
- . ~~{(a) Notwithstanding Subsection (2), a magistrate shall issue a summons for the appearance of the  
accused if:}~~
- 61 ~~{(i) the accused was released from jail because the prosecuting attorney did not file an information  
within the time period required under Rule 9 of the Utah Rules of Criminal Procedure; and}~~
- 64 ~~{(ii) the prosecuting attorney filed an information more than 60 days after the day on which the  
accused was released from jail.}~~
- 66 ~~{(b) {If the accused fails to appear on a summons issued under Subsection (7)(a), the magistrate may  
issue a warrant for arrest as described in Subsection (2).}}~~
- 76 Section 2. **Effective date.**  
This bill takes effect on May 7, 2025.

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