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Landscaping Procurement Amendments

2025 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Stephanie Pitcher

House Sponsor:

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill ~~{amends procurement requirements}~~ addresses the usage of electric lawn equipment at state government facilities.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- defines terms; and
- creates a timeline ~~{of increasing prohibitions on}~~ for phasing in the ~~{use}~~ adoption of ~~{gasoline-powered}~~ electric lawn equipment for the performance of landscape maintenance of state government facilities.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

None

ENACTS:

63G-6a-111.1 , Utah Code Annotated 1953 , Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

20 Section 1. Section 1 is enacted to read:

21 **63G-6a-111.1. ~~{Specifications}~~ Requirements for landscape maintenance.**

22 (1) As used in this section:

23 (a) "Grounds" means the same as that term is defined in Section 63A-5b-1108.

24 (b) "Landscape maintenance" means mowing, edging, trimming, fertilizing, raking, or blowing leaves, lawn, flora, or organic material.

26 (c) "Landscape maintenance equipment" means any {motorized} device primarily designed as a tool for the performance of landscape maintenance.

28 (d) "Lawn" means the same as lawn or turf is defined in Section 63A-5b-1108.

29 (e) "State government facility" means the same as that term is defined in Section 63A-5b-1108.

31 ~~{(2)}~~ }

31 (2) Subject to Subsections (3) and (4):

. (a) ~~{Beginning}~~ beginning July 1, 2025, a ~~{procurement unit may not purchase or otherwise acquire gasoline-powered landscape maintenance equipment for the performance of}~~ person performing landscape maintenance on a state government facility{-} having less than 10,000 square feet of property needing landscape maintenance shall use handheld electric landscape maintenance equipment;

34 (b) ~~{Beginning}~~ beginning July 1, 2026, ~~{gasoline-powered landscape maintenance equipment may not be used for on a state government facility}~~ a person performing landscape maintenance equipment may not be used for on a state government facility{-} having less than 30,000 square feet of property needing landscape maintenance shall use handheld electric landscape maintenance equipment;

36 (c) ~~{Beginning}~~ beginning July 1, 2027, ~~{all procurement contracts for the performance of}~~ a person performing landscape maintenance on a state government facility having less than 50,000 square feet of property needing landscape maintenance shall {preclude the use of gasoline-powered} use handheld electric landscape maintenance equipment {in the performance of the contract.};

41 (3) The director of the Division of Facilities Construction and Management may grant an exemption from a requirement under Subsections (2)(a) through (c) if:

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- (a) the use of handheld electric landscape maintenance equipment, as opposed to gasoline-powered landscape maintenance equipment, is not practical based on the existing slope, erosion, stoniness, or other features of the landscape; or
- 46 (b) there is an emergency in order, and the use of landscape maintenance equipment is necessary to promote the safe and operational condition of the property.

48 Section 2. **Effective date.**

This bill takes effect on May 7, {2027} 2025.

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