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None

Other Special Clauses:

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Airborne Chemicals Amendments

2025 GENERAL SESSION STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Ronald M. Winterton

House Sponsor: Rex P. Shipp

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3	LONG TITLE
4	General Description:
5	This bill addresses the release of airborne chemicals.
6	Highlighted Provisions:
7	This bill:
8	defines terms;
9	• prohibits the release of {chemicals or substances } a chemical or substance from an aircraft for
	the purpose of {weather } solar geoengineering;
11	provides a means for the public to submit information regarding suspected {weather} solar
	geoengineering;
13	• requires the Department of Transportation to report { credible instances } a credible instance of
	suspected {weather } solar geoengineering to the Utah Attorney General; and
15	 makes technical and conforming changes.
16	Money Appropriated in this Bill:

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	None
	AMENDS:
	72-10-120, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 140, as last amended by Laws of Utah
	2008, Chapter 140
	ENACTS:
	72-10-134, Utah Code Annotated 1953, Utah Code Annotated 1953
	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
	Section 1. Section 72-10-120 is amended to read:
	72-10-120. Violations Penalty.
	[A] Except as otherwise provided in this part, a person who fails to comply with the
	requirements of or violates any provision of this part is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.
	Section 2. Section 2 is enacted to read:
	72-10-134. Restrictions on release of chemicals for {weather } solar geoengineering
	Criminal penalty.
	(1) As used in this section:
	<u>(a)</u>
	(i) "Solar geoengineering" means the modification of the composition, behavior, or dynamics of the
	Earth's atmosphere by solar radiation management.
	(ii) "Solar geoengineering" does not include an activity described in Title 73, Chapter 15, Modification
	of Weather.
	{(a)} (b) "Solar radiation management" means the release, injection, or dispersing of {chemicals} a
	chemical to artificially reduce the amount of solar radiation reaching the Earth's lower atmosphere
	or surface.
	{(b)} (2)
	{(i) {"Weather geoengineering" means the modification of the composition, behavior, or dynamics of
	the Earth's atmosphere by solar radiation management.}
	{(ii) {"Weather geoengineering" does not include activities described in Title 73, Chapter 15,
	Modification of Weather.}
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- (a) It is unlawful for an owner or operator of an aircraft to use or authorize the use of the aircraft in this state with the intent to cause {weather} solar geoengineering.
- 44 (b) A violation of Subsection (2)(a) is a {third degree felony} class A misdemeanor.
- 45 (3) The department shall:
- (a) provide a means for a member of the public to electronically submit information regarding suspected {weather} solar geoengineering activity; and
- (b) report a credible instance of suspected solar geoengineering activity to the Office of the Attorney General.
- 50 (4) This section does not create for an airport operator:
- 51 (a) an obligation to report or monitor a solar geoengineering activity; or
- (b) liability in relation to an aircraft using an airport for a solar geoengineering activity.
- 53 Section 3. **Effective date.**

Effective Date.

This bill takes effect on May 7, 2025.

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