

School District Contracting Amendments

2025 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Ariel Defay

LONG TITLE**General Description:**

This bill enacts provisions related to federal contracts with LEAs.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

▸ prohibits an LEA from contracting with the United States Department of Justice unless the State Board of Education reviews the contract;

▸ requires the State Board of Education to review each proposed contract between the United States Department of Justice and an LEA or its governing board; and

▸ allows the State Board of Education to make recommendations regarding the contract.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

53G-7-226, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section **53G-7-226** is enacted to read:

53G-7-226 . Review of contracts between local education agencies and the United States Department of Justice.

(1) An LEA or LEA governing board may not enter into a contract with the United States Department of Justice unless the State Board of Education first reviews the contract.

(2) The State Board of Education:

(a) shall review each proposed contract between the United States Department of Justice and an LEA or LEA governing board; and

(b) may make recommendations regarding the contract.

(3) This section does not require the State Board of Education to enforce the terms or

32 conditions of any contract reviewed under this section.

33 Section 2. **Effective date.**

34 This bill takes effect on May 7, 2025.