

1 **Security and Land Restriction Amendments**

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STATE OF UTAH

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3 **LONG TITLE**

4 **General Description:**

5 This bill amends provisions relating to security.

6 **Highlighted Provisions:**

7 This bill:

8 ▶ defines terms;

9 ▶ requires that a food delivery company mark a Utah National Guard base as a food
10 delivery dead zone;

11 ▶ authorizes delivery drivers and staff at a Utah National Guard base to report a violation of
12 a food delivery dead zone;

13 ▶ authorizes the Department of Veterans and Military Affairs to enforce a food delivery
14 dead zone;

15 ▶ prohibits a person from purchasing an interest in land on behalf of a restricted foreign
16 entity; and

17 ▶ creates a criminal offense for a person purchasing land on behalf of a restricted foreign
18 entity.

19 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

20 None

21 **Other Special Clauses:**

22 None

23 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

24 AMENDS:

25 **71A-1-201**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 44 and last amended by
26 Coordination Clause, Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 154

27 ENACTS:

28 **13-75-101**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

29 **13-75-201**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

30 **63L-13-204**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section **13-75-101** is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 75. FOOD DELIVERY ACT

Part 1. Definitions

13-75-101 . Definitions.

As used in this chapter:

- (1) "Delivery driver" means an individual working for a food delivery service.
- (2) "Department" means the Department of Veterans and Military Affairs established in Section 71A-1-201.
- (3) "Food delivery company" means an entity that operates a food delivery service.
- (4) "Food delivery dead zone" means a defined geographic area in which a food delivery service may not:
 - (a) permit the delivery of food; or
 - (b) allow an individual delivering food on behalf of the food delivery service to enter.
- (5) "Food delivery service" means a service that:
 - (a) facilitates the delivery of food from a restaurant or other food establishment to a consumer; and
 - (b) conducts operations online or through a mobile application.
- (6) "Utah National Guard base" means all real property associated with:
 - (a) Camp W. G. Williams; or
 - (b) the Ronald R. Wright Air National Guard base.

Section 2. Section **13-75-201** is enacted to read:

13-75-201 . Department to enforce food delivery dead zone.

- (1) A food delivery company shall ensure that the physical boundaries of a Utah National Guard base are marked as a food delivery dead zone.
- (2) A delivery driver may report to the department a food delivery company's failure to mark the physical boundaries of a Utah National Guard base as a food delivery dead zone.
- (3) Staff at a Utah National Guard base may report to the department any deliveries made by a delivery driver.
- (4) The department shall:
 - (a) create a readily apparent process by which a delivery driver or staff at a Utah

- 64 National Guard base may make a report described in Subsection (2);
 65 (b) upon receiving a report described in Subsection (2), investigate whether the food
 66 delivery company has marked the physical boundaries of a Utah National Guard base
 67 as a food delivery dead zone; and
 68 (c) if the investigation demonstrates that a food delivery company has not marked the
 69 physical boundaries of a Utah National Guard base as a food delivery dead zone, the
 70 division shall impose a fine on the food delivery company of \$1,000.

71 Section 3. Section **63L-13-204** is enacted to read:

72 **63L-13-204 . Purchase of interest of land on behalf of restricted foreign entity**
 73 **prohibited.**

- 74 (1) A person may not purchase an interest in land on behalf of a restricted foreign entity.
 75 (2) A person violates Subsection (1) if the person knowingly purchases an interest in land:
 76 (a) using funds provided by a restricted foreign entity; or
 77 (b) under the direction of a restricted foreign entity.
 78 (3) A person who violates Subsection (1) is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

79 Section 4. Section **71A-1-201** is amended to read:

80 **71A-1-201 . Department of Veterans and Military Affairs -- Creation --**
 81 **Appointment of executive director -- Department responsibilities.**

- 82 (1) There is created the Department of Veterans and Military Affairs.
 83 (2) The governor shall appoint an executive director for the department who is subject to
 84 Senate confirmation.
 85 (3) The executive director shall be a veteran.
 86 (4) The department shall:
 87 (a) conduct and supervise all veteran and military affairs activities as provided in this
 88 title;
 89 (b) adopt rules in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative
 90 Rulemaking Act, to carry out the provisions of this title;
 91 (c) in accordance with Section 41-1a-418:
 92 (i) determine which campaign or combat theater awards are eligible for a special
 93 group license plate;
 94 (ii) verify that an applicant for a campaign or combat theater award special group
 95 license plate is qualified to receive it; and
 96 (iii) provide an applicant that qualifies a form indicating the campaign or combat
 97 theater award special group license plate for which the applicant qualifies;

- 98 (d) maintain liaison with local, state, and federal veterans agencies and with Utah
99 veterans organizations;
- 100 (e) provide current information to veterans, service members, their surviving spouses
101 and family members, and Utah veterans and military organizations on benefits they
102 are entitled to;
- 103 (f) assist veterans, service members, and their families in applying for benefits and
104 services;
- 105 (g) cooperate with other state entities in the receipt of information to create and maintain
106 a record of veterans in Utah;
- 107 (h) create and administer a veterans assistance registry in accordance with Chapter 5,
108 Veterans Assistance Registry, with recommendations from the council, that provides
109 contact information to the qualified donors of materials and labor for certain qualified
110 recipients;
- 111 (i) identify military-related issues, challenges, and opportunities, and develop plans for
112 addressing them;
- 113 (j) develop, coordinate, and maintain relationships with military leaders of Utah military
114 installations, including the Utah National Guard;
- 115 (k) develop and maintain relationships with military-related organizations in Utah; ~~and~~
- 116 (l) consult with municipalities and counties regarding compatible use plans as described
117 in Sections 10-9a-537 and 17-27a-533[-] ; and
- 118 (m) enforce a food delivery dead zone as described in Section 13-75-202.
- 119 (5)(a) The department may award grants for the purpose of supporting veteran and
120 military outreach, employment, education, healthcare, homelessness prevention, and
121 recognition events.
- 122 (b) The department may award a grant described in Subsection (5)(a) to:
- 123 (i) an institution of higher education listed in Section 53B-1-102;
- 124 (ii) a nonprofit organization involved in veterans or military-related activities; or
- 125 (iii) a political subdivision of the state.
- 126 (c) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the
127 department shall make rules for the administration of grants, including establishing:
- 128 (i) the form and process for submitting an application to the department;
- 129 (ii) the method and criteria for selecting a grant recipient;
- 130 (iii) the method and formula for determining a grant amount; and
- 131 (iv) the reporting requirements of a grant recipient.

- 132 (6) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the
133 department may make rules related to:
- 134 (a) the consultation with municipalities and counties regarding compatible use plans as
135 required in Subsection (4)(l); and
 - 136 (b) criteria to evaluate whether a proposed land use is compatible with military
137 operations.
- 138 (7) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as altering or preempting any provisions of
139 Title 39A, National Guard and Militia Act, as specifically related to the Utah National
140 Guard.

141 Section 5. **Effective Date.**

142 This bill takes effect on May 7, 2025.