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Medical Translation Amendments
2026 GENERAL SESSION
STATE OF UTAH
Chief Sponsor: Heidi Balderree
House Sponsor: Steve Eliason

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill requires the development of a software application that is available in multiple languages.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- requires the development of a SafeUT software application that is available in multiple languages.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

53H-4-210, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2025, First Special Session, Chapter 8

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

Section 1. Section **53H-4-210** is amended to read:

53H-4-210 . SafeUT Crisis Line.

(1) As used in this section:

- (a) "Commission" means the SafeUT and School Safety Commission established in this section.
- (b) "Huntsman Mental Health Institute" means the mental health and substance abuse treatment institute within the University of Utah Hospitals and Clinics.

(2) The Huntsman Mental Health Institute shall:

- 29 (a) establish the SafeUT Crisis Line to provide:
- 30 (i) a means for an individual to anonymously report:
- 31 (A) unsafe, violent, or criminal activities, or the threat of such activities at or near
- 32 a public school;
- 33 (B) incidents of bullying, cyber-bullying, harassment, or hazing; and
- 34 (C) incidents of physical or sexual abuse committed by a school employee or
- 35 school volunteer; and
- 36 (ii) crisis intervention, including suicide prevention, to individuals experiencing
- 37 emotional distress or psychiatric crisis;
- 38 (b) provide the services described in Subsection (2)(a) 24 hours a day, seven days a
- 39 week;
- 40 (c) when necessary, or as required by law, promptly forward a report received under
- 41 Subsection (2)(a) to appropriate:
- 42 (i) school officials; and
- 43 (ii) law enforcement officials;
- 44 (d) in accordance with Subsection (2)(e), report the uses of the SafeUT Crisis Line
- 45 described in Subsection (2) to the State Bureau of Investigation's systems described
- 46 in Subsections 53-10-302(7) and (8);
- 47 (e) coordinate with the state security chief to determine the appropriate circumstances
- 48 necessitating a report described in Subsection (2)(d);~~and~~
- 49 (f) subject to legislative appropriations and in consultation with the School Security
- 50 Task Force described in Section 53-22-104.1, state security chief described in Section
- 51 53-22-102, and School Safety Center described in Section 53G-8-802, develop and
- 52 deploy additional supports and enhancements for school safety efforts[-] ; and
- 53 develop a SafeUT software application that is available in multiple languages
- 54 including Spanish.
- 55 (3) There is created the SafeUT and School Safety Commission composed of the following
- 56 members:
- 57 (a) one member who represents the Office of the Attorney General, whom the attorney
- 58 general appoints;
- 59 (b) one member who represents the Utah public education system, whom the State
- 60 Board of Education appoints;
- 61 (c) a designee of the Utah Board of Higher Education, whom the commissioner selects
- 62 under direction of the board;

- 63 (d) one member who represents the Department of Health and Human Services, whom
64 the executive director of the Department of Health and Human Services appoints;
- 65 (e) one member of the House of Representatives, whom the speaker of the House of
66 Representatives appoints;
- 67 (f) one member of the Senate, whom the president of the Senate appoints;
- 68 (g) one member who represents the Huntsman Mental Health Institute, whom the chair
69 of the commission appoints;
- 70 (h) one member who represents law enforcement who has extensive experience in
71 emergency response, whom the chair of the commission appoints;
- 72 (i) one member who represents the Department of Health and Human Services who has
73 experience in youth services or treatment services, whom the executive director of
74 the Department of Health and Human Services appoints; and
- 75 (j) two members of the public, whom the chair of the commission appoints.
- 76 (4)(a) Except as provided in Subsection (4)(b), members of the commission shall be
77 appointed to four-year terms.
- 78 (b) The length of the terms of the members shall be staggered so that approximately half
79 of the committee is appointed every two years.
- 80 (c) When a vacancy occurs in the membership of the commission, the replacement shall
81 be appointed for the unexpired term.
- 82 (5)(a) The attorney general's designee shall serve as chair of the commission.
- 83 (b) The chair shall set the agenda for commission meetings.
- 84 (6) Attendance of a simple majority of the members constitutes a quorum for the
85 transaction of official commission business.
- 86 (7) Formal action by the commission requires a majority vote of a quorum.
- 87 (8)(a) Except as provided in Subsection (8)(b), a member may not receive compensation,
88 benefits, per diem, or travel expenses for the member's service.
- 89 (b) Compensation and expenses of a member who is a legislator are governed by Section
90 36-2-2 and Legislative Joint Rules, Title 5, Legislative Compensation and Expenses.
- 91 (9) The Office of the Attorney General shall provide staff support to the commission.
- 92 (10) The commission shall coordinate:
- 93 (a) statewide efforts related to the SafeUT Crisis Line;
- 94 (b) with the State Board of Education and the board to promote awareness of the
95 services available through the SafeUT Crisis Line; and
- 96 (c) with the state security chief appointed under Section 53-22-102 to ensure appropriate

- 97 reporting described in Subsections and (2)(d) and (e).
- 98 (11) ~~[An]~~ A local education agency governing board shall inform students, parents, and
99 school personnel about the SafeUT Crisis Line.
- 100 (12)(a) Except as provided in Subsection (12)(b), the Huntsman Mental Health Institute
101 may charge a fee to an institution of higher education or other entity for the use of the
102 SafeUT Crisis Line in accordance with the method described in Subsection (12)(c).
- 103 (b) The Huntsman Mental Health Institute may not charge a fee to the State Board of
104 Education or a local education agency for the use of the SafeUT Crisis Line.
- 105 (c) The commission shall establish a standard method for charging a fee described in
106 Subsection (12)(a).

107 Section 2. **Effective Date.**

108 This bill takes effect on May 6, 2026.