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1 **Government Form Submission Amendments**
2026 GENERAL SESSION
STATE OF UTAH
Chief Sponsor: Jordan D. Teuscher
Senate Sponsor:

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill addresses when a government entity is required to provide an electronic filing option to a person submitting information to the government entity.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ requires state and local government to provide an electronic option for filling out forms and for submitting forms, records, and other information; and
- ▶ provides certain exceptions to the requirement described in the preceding paragraph.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

This bill provides a special effective date.

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

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19 **11-72-101** , Utah Code Annotated 1953
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21 **63G-34-101** , Utah Code Annotated 1953
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24 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

25 Section 1. Section 1 is enacted to read:

26 **CHAPTER 72. Local Government - Interaction with Citizens and Others**

27 **11-72-101. Definitions.**

As used in this chapter, "local government" means a political subdivision of the state, including:

30 (1) a county, city, town, school district, special district, or special service district;
31 (2) an agency or office of a political subdivision of the state; or
32 (3) an official or employee of:
33 (a) a political subdivision of the state; or
34 (b) an entity described in Subsection (1) or (2).

35 Section 2. Section 2 is enacted to read:

36 **11-72-102. Electronic submission of forms, records, and other information.**

37 (1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), and subject to Subsection (3), if a local government requires or requests a person to submit a form, a record, or information to the local government, the local government shall, instead of requiring the person to appear in person or otherwise provide a physical copy of the form, the record, or information, provide an electronic means {to fill out} } for the {form and} person to submit the form, record, or information, {regardless of whether the purpose} which may include, at the discretion of the {requirement or request is to} local government:

43 (a) electronically completing and electronically signing the form;
44 (b) downloading the form, completing and physically or electronically signing the form, and submitting a copy of the completed and signed form electronically, by email or other electronic means;
47 (c) entering the information online;
48 (d) uploading the completed and signed form, the record, or the information; or
49 (e) sending the record or information by email or other electronic means.

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50 (2) Subsection (1) does not apply:

51 (a) to the extent prohibited by an express provision of:

52 (i) federal law or rule;

53 (ii) state law; or

54 (iii) court rule;

55 (b) to the extent that the person is required by state or federal law to fill out the form in person or to submit the form, record, or information in person; or

57 (c) if the person is required to submit a fingerprint with the form, record, or information:

58 (i) by state or federal law; or

59 (ii) for the purpose of conducting a criminal background check.

60 (3) Subsection (1) applies regardless of whether the purpose of the requirement or request is to:

42 (a) comply with a requirement of law;

43 (b) request a service or thing; or

44 (c) request or compel government action or forbearance.

45 {(2) {Subseetion (1) does not apply:}}

46 {(a) {to the extent prohibited by an express provision of:}}

47 {(i) {federal law or rule;}}

48 {(ii) {state law; or}}

49 {(iii) {court rule; or}}

50 {(b) {to the extent that the person is required by law to fill out the form in person or to submit the form, record, or information in person.}}

65 Section 3. Section 3 is enacted to read:

67 **63G-34-101. Definitions.**

34. State Government - Interaction with Citizens and Others

As used in this chapter:

56 (1) "State government" means:

57 (a) a branch of state government;

58 (b) a department, agency, or other entity of state government;

59 (c) an independent entity, as defined in Section 63E-1-102; or

60 (d) an official or employee of an entity described in Subsections (1)(a) through (c).

61 (2) "State government" does not include local government, as defined in Section 11-72-101.

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75 Section 4. Section 4 is enacted to read:

63G-34-102. Electronic submission of forms, records, and other information.

64 (1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), and subject to Subsection (3), if state government requires or
65 requests a person to submit a form, a record, or information to state government, state government
66 shall, instead of requiring the person to appear in person or otherwise provide a physical copy of
67 the form, the record, or information, provide an electronic means {to fill out} for the {form and}
68 person to submit the form, record, or information, which may include, {regardless of whether} at
69 the {purpose} discretion of {the requirement or request is to} state government:

83 (a) electronically completing and electronically signing the form;
84 (b) downloading the form, completing and physically or electronically signing the form, and submitting
85 a copy of the completed and signed form electronically, by email or other electronic means;
86 (c) entering the information online;
87 (d) uploading the completed and signed form, the record, or the information; or
88 (e) sending the record or information by email or other electronic means.

89 (2) Subsection (1) does not apply:

90 (a) to the extent prohibited by an express provision of:
91 (i) federal law or rule;
92 (ii) state law; or
93 (iii) court rule;
94 (b) to the extent that the person is required by state or federal law to fill out the form in person or to
95 submit the form, record, or information in person; or
96 (c) if the person is required to submit a fingerprint with the form, record, or information:
97 (i) by state or federal law; or
98 (ii) for the purpose of conducting a criminal background check.

99 (3) Subsection (1) applies regardless of whether the purpose of the requirement or request is to:

100 (a) comply with a requirement of law;
101 (b) request a service or thing; or
102 (c) request or compel government action or forbearance.
103 {(2) {Subseetion (1) does not apply:}}
104 {(4) {to the extent prohibited by an express provision of:}}
105 {(i) {federal law or rule;}}}

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74 {(ii) {state law; or}}
75 {(iii) {court rule; or}}
76 {(b) {to the extent that the person is required by law to fill out the form in person or to submit the form, record, or information in person.}}

105 Section 5. **Effective date.**

Effective Date.

This bill takes effect on {May 6, 2026} July 1, 2027.

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