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1 First Responder ~~{Mental}~~ Health Amendments

2026 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Ryan D. Wilcox

Senate Sponsor:

3 LONG TITLE

4 General Description:

5 This bill amends requirements for providing ~~{mental}~~ health coverage and resources to first responders.

7 Highlighted Provisions:

8 This bill:

9 ▶ amends eligibility requirements for the Volunteer Emergency Medical Service Personnel Insurance Program;

8 ▶ requires the Department of Public Safety (department) to annually submit a report on ~~{the}~~ first responder ~~{agency's}~~ agencies' compliance with requirements to provide mental health resources to first responders and first responders' spouses to the:

- 11 • Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee; and
- 12 • State Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice's public safety portal;

16 ▶ amends eligibility for receiving mental health resources for separated first responders and separated first responders' spouses;

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creates the Mental Health Resources for First Responders {~~Reserve~~} Restricted Account (account) to provide funding for{:} the department to provide certain mental health resources to eligible small first responder agencies;

15 • {~~grants to first responder agencies that contribute to the account to fund plans to provide mental health resources to first responders; and~~}

17 • {~~the Department of Public Safety to provide certain mental health resources to small first responder agencies;~~}

19 ▸ {~~amends provisions related to~~} provides a sunset date for grants to first responder agencies {~~to provide mental health services to first responders~~} ;

21 ▸ defines terms; and

22 ▸ makes technical and conforming changes.

24 Money Appropriated in this Bill:

25 ▸ **This bill appropriates (\$669,700) in operating and capital budgets for fiscal year 2027, including:**

26 • **(\$800,000) from General Fund; and**

27 • **\$130,300 from various sources as detailed in this bill.**

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29 ▸ **This bill appropriates \$800,000 in restricted fund and account transfers for fiscal year 2027, all**
30 **of which is from the General Fund.**

31 Other Special Clauses:

32 This bill provides a special effective date.

33 Utah Code Sections Affected:

34 AMENDS:

35 **53-2d-703 (Effective 05/06/26) (Repealed 07/01/27), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2025, Chapter 240**

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37 **53-21-101 (Effective 07/01/26), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2025, Chapter 135**

38 **53-21-102 (Effective 05/06/26), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 345**

39 **{53-21-103, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 345}**

40 **53-21-104.1 (Effective 07/01/26), as enacted by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 345**

53-21-104.3 (Effective 05/06/26), as enacted by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 345

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63I-1-253 (Effective 05/06/26), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2025, First Special Session, Chapter 9

ENACTS:

53-21-105 (Effective 07/01/26), Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section 53-2d-703 is amended to read:

53-2d-703. Volunteer Emergency Medical Service Personnel Insurance Program -- Creation -- Administration -- Eligibility -- Benefits -- Rulemaking -- Advisory board.

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Assigned service area" means the operations subdivisions of a geographical service area that a local government entity creates based on the local government entity's emergency medical services operational needs.

(b) "Basic life insurance benefit" means the standard group life insurance benefit offered by PEHP that combines basic life, line-of-duty, accidental death and disability, and dependent coverage into one benefit package.

~~[(b)]~~ (c) "Basic long-term disability benefit" means a \$1,000 monthly benefit arising from a disability determined in accordance with Title 49, Chapter 21, Public Employees' Long-Term Disability Act, and excluding any coverage offered on a pilot basis.

~~[(e)]~~ (d) "Dental plan" means the same as that term is defined in Section 31A-22-646.

(e) "Emergency medical services operations" means an emergency medical services provider's duties, as assigned by the local government entity, including:

(i) 911 call response in the assigned service area;

(ii) standby services for regular operations or special events;

(iii) training; and

(iv) emergency medical services-related community engagement in the geographical service area.

(f) "Geographical service area" means a local government entity's jurisdiction.

~~[(d)]~~ (g) "Health benefit plan" means the same as that term is defined in Section 31A-1-301.

~~[(e)]~~ (h) "Local government entity" means a political subdivision that:

(i) is licensed as a ground ambulance provider under Part 5, Ambulance and Paramedic Providers, or a quick response provider as designated under Section 53-2d-403; and

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- 77 (ii) does not offer health insurance benefits to volunteer emergency medical service personnel.
- 79 [(f)] (i) "PEHP" means the Public Employees' Benefit and Insurance Program created in Section
49-20-103.
- 81 [(g)] (j) "Political subdivision" means a county, a municipality, a limited purpose government entity
described in Title 17B, Limited Purpose Local Government Entities - Special Districts, or Title 17D,
Limited Purpose Local Government Entities - Other Entities, or an entity created by an interlocal
agreement under Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation Act.
- 86 [(h)] (k) "Qualifying association" means an association that represents two or more political
subdivisions in the state.
- 88 [(i)] (l) "Qualifying community" means any of the following located in a county of the second class:
- 90 (i) a city of the fifth class; or
- 91 (ii) a town.
- 92 (2) The Volunteer Emergency Medical Service Personnel Insurance Program shall promote recruitment
and retention of volunteer emergency medical service personnel by making insurance available to
volunteer emergency medical service personnel in accordance with this section.
- 96 (3)
- (a) The bureau shall contract with a qualifying association to create, implement, and administer the
Volunteer Emergency Medical Service Personnel Insurance Program described in this section.
- 99 (b) The qualifying association will create promotional campaigns for the Volunteer Emergency Medical
Service Personnel Insurance Program and volunteer emergency medical service recruitment and
retention including outreach to local government entities through social media, video production,
and other media platforms.
- 103 (4) Participation in the program is limited to any individual who:
- 104 (a) is licensed under Section 53-2d-402 as an emergency medical technician, an advanced emergency
medical technician, or a paramedic;
- 106 (b) is able to perform all necessary functions associated with the license;
- 107 (c) provides emergency medical services under the direction of a local governmental entity:
- 109 (i) by ~~responding to 20% of calls for emergency medical services in~~ participating in at least 20% of
emergency medical services operations during a rolling twelve-month period; and
- 112 (ii) within a qualifying community or a county of the third, fourth, fifth, or sixth class~~by responding to~~
~~the number of calls described in Subsection (4)(c)(i)~~; and

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114 (iii)

(A) as a volunteer under the Fair Labor Standards Act, in accordance with 29 C.F.R. Sec. 553.106; or

116 (B) as a part-time unbenefited employee, as classified by the employing local government entity;

118 (d) if seeking health insurance:

119 (i)

(A) is not eligible for a health benefit plan through an employer or a spouse's employer; and

121 (B) is not eligible for medical coverage under a government sponsored healthcare program; or

123 (ii) the individual's premium cost for individual, double, or family coverage through another source
exceeds 20% or greater of the premium cost of the program created by this section;

126 (e) if seeking dental insurance:

127 (i)

(A) is not eligible for a dental plan through an employer or a spouse's employer; and

129 (B) is not eligible for dental coverage under a government sponsored healthcare program; or

131 (ii) the individual's premium cost for individual, double, or family coverage exceeds 20% or greater of
the premium cost of the program created by this section; and

133 (f) resides in the state.

134 (5)

(a) A participant in the program is eligible to participate in PEHP in accordance with Subsection (5)(b)
and Subsection 49-20-201(3).

136 (b) Health and dental benefits available to program participants under PEHP are limited to health
insurance and dental insurance that:

138 (i) covers the program participant and the program participant's eligible dependents on a July 1 plan
year;

140 (ii) accepts enrollment during an open enrollment period or for a special enrollment event, including the
initial eligibility of a program participant;

142 (iii) if the program participant is no longer eligible for benefits, terminates on the last day of the
last month for which the individual is a participant in the Volunteer Emergency Medical Service
Personnel Insurance Program; and

145 (iv) is not subject to continuation rights under state or federal law.

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(c) Within existing appropriations, the Volunteer Emergency Medical Service Personnel Insurance Program may offer basic life insurance and long-term disability insurance to participants to enhance recruitment and retention efforts.

(6)

(a) The bureau may make rules in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, to define additional criteria regarding benefit design, eligibility for the program, and to implement this section.

(b) The bureau shall convene an advisory board:

(i) to advise the bureau on making rules under Subsection (6)(a); and

(ii) that includes representation from at least the following entities:

(A) the qualifying association that receives the contract under Subsection (3); and

(B) PEHP.

(7) For purposes of this section, the qualifying association that receives the contract under Subsection (3) shall be considered the public agency for whom the program participant is volunteering under 29 C.F.R. Sec. 553.101.

Section 2. Section 53-21-101 is amended to read:

53-21-101. Definitions.

As used in this chapter:

(1) "Crime scene investigator technician" means an individual employed by a law enforcement agency to collect and analyze evidence from crime scenes and crime-related incidents.

(2) "Designated mental health resources liaison" means a non-leadership human resources or other administrative employee designated by a first responder agency who receives and processes a request for mental health resources on behalf of the first responder agency under this chapter.

(3) "First responder" means:

(a) a law enforcement officer, as defined in Section 53-13-103;

(b) an emergency medical technician, as defined in Section 53-2e-101;

(c) an advanced emergency medical technician, as defined in Section 53-2e-101;

(d) a paramedic, as defined in Section 53-2e-101;

(e) a firefighter, as defined in Section [34A-3-113] 34A-3-101;

(f) a dispatcher, as defined in Section 53-6-102;

(g) a correctional officer, as defined in Section 53-13-104;

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- 178 (h) a special function officer, as defined in Section 53-13-105, employed by a local sheriff;
180 (i) a search and rescue worker under the supervision of a local sheriff;
181 (j) a forensic interviewer or victim advocate employed by a [~~children's justice center~~] Children's Justice
Center established in accordance with Section 67-5b-102;
183 (k) a credentialed criminal justice system victim advocate as defined in Section 77-38-403 who
responds to incidents with a law enforcement officer;
185 (l) a crime scene investigator technician;
186 (m) a wildland firefighter;
187 (n) an investigator or prosecutor of cases involving sexual crimes against children; or
188 (o) a civilian employee of a first responder agency who has been authorized to view or otherwise access
information concerning crimes, accidents, or other traumatic events.
190 (4) "First responder agency" means:
191 (a) a special district, municipality, interlocal entity, or other political subdivision that employs a first
responder to provide fire protection, paramedic, law enforcement, or emergency services; or
194 (b) a certified private law enforcement agency as defined in Section 53-19-102.
195 (5)
(a) "Mental health resources" means:
196 (i) an assessment to determine appropriate mental health treatment that is performed by a mental
health therapist;
198 (ii) outpatient mental health treatment provided by a mental health therapist; or
199 (iii) peer support services provided by a peer support specialist who is qualified to provide peer
support services under Subsection 26B-5-102(2)(gg).
201 (b) "Mental health resources" includes, at a minimum, the following services:
202 (i) regular periodic screenings for all employees within the first responder agency;
203 (ii) assessments and availability to mental health services for personnel directly involved in a critical
incident within 48 hours of the incident; and
205 (iii) regular and continuing access to the mental health program for:
206 (A) spouses and children of first responders;
207 (B) first responders who have retired or separated from the agency; and
208 (C) spouses of first responders who have retired or separated from the agency.
209 (6) "Mental health therapist" means the same as that term is defined in Section 58-60-102.

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- (7) "Plan" means a plan to implement or expand a program that provides mental health resources to first responders for which the division awards a grant under this chapter.
- (8) "Retired" means the status of an individual who has become eligible, applies for, and may receive an allowance under Title 49, Utah State Retirement and Insurance Benefit Act.
- (9) "Separated" means the status of an individual who has separated from employment as a first responder from a first responder agency, except as a result of [a critical incident involving the first responder] misconduct or disciplinary action.
- (10) "Small first responder agency" means a first responder agency that:
- (a) has 10 or fewer employees;
 - (b) is primarily staffed by volunteers; or
 - (c) is located in:
 - (i) a county of the [~~third, fourth, fifth,~~] fifth or sixth class;
 - (ii) a city of the [~~third, fourth, fifth,~~] fifth or sixth class; or
 - (iii) a town.

Section 3. Section 53-21-102 is amended to read:

53-21-102. (Effective 05/06/26)Mental health services -- Requirement to provide -- Eligibility -- Confidentiality -- Requests -- Reporting noncompliance -- Designation.

(1) ~~As used in this section{ },~~ "public safety portal" means the data portal created in Section 63A-16-1002.

~~{(a) "Commission" means the State Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice created in Section 63M-7-201.}~~

~~{(b) "Public safety portal" means the data portal created in Section 63A-16-1002.}~~

(2) Every first responder agency within the state shall provide or make available mental health resources to:

- (a) all first responders;
- (b) the spouse and children of first responders;
- (c) surviving spouses of first responders whose death is classified as a line-of-duty death under Title 49, Utah State Retirement and Insurance Benefit Act;
- (d) retired or separated first responders for at least three years from the date that the retired or separated first responder requests mental health resources, regardless of any subsequent employment as a non-first responder; and

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(e) spouses of retired or separated first responders for at least three years from the date that the spouse of the retired or separated first responder requests mental health resources, regardless of any subsequent employment as a non-first responder.

[(2)] (3) All access by first responders and their families to mental health resources shall be kept confidential.

[(3)] (4) A first responder agency shall:

(a) annually provide information to all employed first responders regarding:

(i) the availability of mental health resources under this section, including:

(A) for individuals in addition to the first responders as described in Subsection [(1)] (2); and

(B) subsequent to a separation or retirement;

(ii) how to access the mental health resources under this section; and

(iii) directions on how to appeal a denial of mental health resources under this section to the department, as provided under Section 53-21-104.3; and

(b)

(i) assign a designated mental health resources liaison;

(ii) inform the department of the identity of the designated mental health resources liaison; and

(iii) update the department as to the identity of the designated mental health resources liaison when a new individual is assigned.

(5)

(a)

(a){(i)} The department shall annually submit a report to the Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee, on or before the date of the committee's November meeting, on first responder agencies' compliance with this section.

(ii) The department may fulfill the requirement described in Subsection (5)(a)(i) by conducting a survey of first responder agencies and reporting the first responder agencies' responses related to the first responder agencies' compliance with this section.

(b) The department shall submit a copy of the report described in Subsection (5)(a) to the {commission's} public safety portal as described in Section 63A-16-1002.

{Section 2. Section 53-21-103 is amended to read: }

53-21-103. Grants to first responder agencies -- Rulemaking.

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(1) As used in this section, "eligible first responder agency" means a first responder agency that contributes funds to the Mental Health Resources for First Responders Reserve Account created in Section 53-21-105 in accordance with Section 53-21-105.

(2) The department may award grants to eligible first responder agencies to provide mental health resources in response to a:

(a) request for proposal;

(b) request for qualifications; or

(c) program description that meets the criteria in Subsection [(2)] (3).

[(2)] (3) The request for proposal, request for qualifications, or program description received by the department shall require mental health providers contracted or employed by the first responder agency to have training and experience in working with first responders and provide mental health resources.

[(3)] (4) An application from [a] an eligible first responder agency for a grant under this chapter shall provide the following details:

(a) a proposed plan to provide mental health resources to first responders in the eligible first responder agency;

(b) the number of first responders to be served by the proposed plan;

(c) how the proposed plan will ensure timely and effective provision of mental health resources to first responders in the eligible first responder agency;

(d) the cost of the proposed plan; and

(e) the sustainability of the proposed plan.

[(4)] (5) In evaluating a project proposal for a grant under this section, the department shall consider:

(a) the extent to which the first responders that will be served by the proposed plan are likely to benefit from the proposed plan;

(b) the cost of the proposed plan; and

(c) the viability of the proposed plan.

[(5)] (6) ~~[A first responder agency may not apply for a grant to fund a program already in place.~~

~~However, a]~~ A request for proposal to fund an expansion of an already existing program shall, in addition to the requirements of Subsection [(4)] (5), provide:

(a) the scope and cost of the agency's current program;

(b) the number of additional first responders the expansion will serve; and

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(c) whether the expansion will provide mental health resources that the current program does not provide.

~~[(6)]~~ (7) The department shall prioritize grant funding for small eligible first responder agencies, and may also take into account whether the small eligible first responder agency is participating or will participate in the department-provided services described in Section 53-21-104.1.

~~[(7)]~~ (8) The department may adopt rules in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, to administer this chapter.

~~[(8)]~~ (9) The department shall:

(a) notify entities that may be eligible for a grant under this section about the grant program; and

(b) on or before October 1, 2024, and October 1, 2025, provide a report to the Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee that describes:

(i) the number of entities that have been notified by the department about the grant program under this section; and

(ii) the number of grant applications that the department has received.

~~[(9)]~~ (10) The department may assist [a] an eligible first responder agency in drafting a grant application under this section.

~~[(10)]~~ (11) The department may use up to 25% of the remaining grant funds under this section to provide the mental health resources described in Section 53-21-104.1.

Section 4. Section 53-21-104.1 is amended to read:

53-21-104.1. (Effective 07/01/26) Department may provide certain mental health resources -- Requirements.

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Account" means the Mental Health Resources for First Responders Restricted Account created in Section 53-21-105.

(b) "Eligible first responder agency" means a small first responder agency that contributes funds to the account in accordance with Section 53-21-105.

~~[(1)]~~ (2)

(a) In accordance with ~~[Subsection (4)]~~ {Subsections (4) and (5)} ~~Subsection~~ (5), the department may, at the department's discretion, provide certain mental health resources to ~~[a small]~~ an eligible first responder agency.

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(b) The mental health resources described in Subsection ~~[(1)(a)]~~ (2)(a) may include an assessment and availability to mental health services for personnel directly involved in a critical incident within 48 hours of the incident.

~~[(2)]~~ (3) The department may use a contracted provider to provide the services described in Subsection ~~[(1)]~~ (2).

~~[(3)]~~ (4) If ~~[a small]~~ an eligible first responder agency elects to receive mental health services as provided under this section, the ~~[small]~~ eligible first responder agency shall designate a representative of the small first responder agency who is responsible for providing a timely notification to the department or the department's designee if a critical incident occurs as described in Subsection ~~[(1)(b)]~~ (2)(b).

~~[(4)]~~ (5)

(a) As provided in Subsection ~~{[53-21-103(10)]}~~ {53-21-103(11)}, the department may use up to 25% of the remaining grant funds for the mental health resources described in this section~~, and may discontinue the mental health resources once the available grant funding is depleted~~.

~~{(5) {As provided in Subsection 53-21-105(8)(b), the department may use up to 25% of the funds in the Mental Health Resources for First Responders Reserve Account created in Section 53-21-105 for the mental health resources described in this section, and may discontinue the mental health resources if there are insufficient funds in the account.}}~~

(b) The department may:

(i) use funds in the account for the mental health resources described in this section and for administrative support related to providing the mental health resources; and

(ii) may discontinue the mental health resources if there are insufficient funds in the account.

Section 5. Section 53-21-104.3 is amended to read:

53-21-104.3. Education -- Complaints -- Investigations.

(1) On or before September 1, 2024, the department shall inform all first responder agencies in the state of the requirements described in Section 53-21-102.

(2) In addition to the notification required under Subsection (1), the department shall, on the department's website, provide information describing:

(a) an individual's eligibility for mental health resources under Section 53-21-102;

(b) the statutory definition for mental health resources provided in Section 53-21-101;

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(c) the designated mental health resources liaison for each first responder agency as described in Subsection [53-21-102(3)(b)] 53-21-102(4)(b); and

(d) how to appeal a denial of mental health resources to the department.

(3)

(a) The department shall investigate a denial of mental health resources that is received under Subsection (2)(d) to determine whether the denial was in violation of this chapter.

(b) If, after an investigation, the department determines that a first responder agency improperly denied mental health resources in violation of this chapter, the department shall notify the first responder agency and provide 60 days for the first responder agency to correct the improper denial.

(c) The department shall determine whether a first responder agency has cured the violation within the time described in Subsection (3)(b) and, if the first responder agency has not, the department shall send a letter within a reasonable time identifying the first responder agency and the relevant details of the department's investigation to:

(i) the commissioner;

(ii) the chairs of the Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee; and

(iii) the director of the State Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice, who shall refer the matter for investigation under Section 63M-7-204 and may restrict state grant money under Section 63M-7-218.

Section 6. Section 6 is enacted to read:

53-21-105. (Effective 07/01/26)Mental Health Resources for First Responders {Reserve} Restricted Account.

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Account" means the Mental Health Resources for First Responders {Reserve} Restricted Account created in this section.

(b) "Committee" means the Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee.

(b){(c)} "Contributing first responder agency" means a small first responder agency that contributes funds to the account.

{(e) }

{(i) {"Employee" means an individual who is employed by a first responder agency.}-}

{(ii) {"Employee" includes an individual who is:-} }

{(A) {employed full time;-} }

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- 164 ~~{(B) {employed part time;}}~~
- 165 ~~{(C) {financially compensated; or}}~~
- 166 ~~{(D) {employed on a volunteer basis;}}~~
- 167 (2) There is created within the General Fund a {~~special revenue~~ restricted fund known as the "Mental
 Health Resources for First Responders {~~Reserve~~ Restricted Account."
- 169 (3) The account consists of:
- 170 (a) appropriations of the Legislature;
- 171 (b) amounts deposited into the account in accordance with this section;
- 172 (c) gifts, grants, donations, or any other conveyance of money that may be made to the account from
 private sources; {and}
- 341 ~~(d) {the funds described in Subsection 53-21-103(10); and~~
- 174 ~~(d){(e)}~~ interest earned on money in the account.
- 175 (4)
- (a) The account shall earn interest.
- 176 (b) Interest earned on the account shall be deposited into the account.
- 177 (5)
- (a) A small first responder agency may contribute funds to the account.
- 178 (b) If a small first responder agency contributes to the account, the small first responder agency shall
 contribute to the account as described in this section.
- 180 ~~{(6) }~~
- (a){~~(6)~~} In a fiscal year that begins on or after July 1, 2026, a contributing first responder agency
 shall annually contribute \$25 per {~~employee, except as otherwise described in this section~~ first
 responder employed by the contributing first responder agency.
- 183 ~~{(b) {Beginning with the fiscal year following the first fiscal year in which the account balance reaches~~
 \$3,000,000, in any fiscal year in which the account balance is less than \$3,000,000 on the first day
 of the fiscal year, a contributing first responder agency shall contribute to the account a prorated
 amount per employee in accordance with Subsection (7).}}
- 188 ~~{(c) {The department shall ensure that the total contribution from contributing first responder agencies~~
 as described in Subsection (6)(b) equals the lesser of:}}
- 190 ~~{(i) {in a fiscal year after the first fiscal year in which the account balance reaches \$3,000,000, an~~
 amount sufficient to maintain an account balance of \$3,000,000; and}}

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- 193 {(ii) ~~{ \$25 per employee. }~~}
- 194 (7) The department shall make rules in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative
 Rulemaking Act, for:
- 196 {(a) ~~{ calculating the amounts described in Subsections (6)(b) and (c); }~~}
- 197 (b){(a)} a process for collecting contributing first responder agency contributions to the account
 described in this section; and
- 199 (c){(b)} a process for depositing into the account contributing first responder agency contributions
 described in this section.
- 201 {(8) }
- (a){(8)} ~~{ The }~~ Subject to appropriations from the Legislature, the department may use money in the
 account ~~{ only }~~ :
- 202 {(i) ~~{ to fund grants to first responder agencies described in Section 53-21-103; and }~~}
- 203 (ii){(a)} ~~{ subject to Subsection (8)(b); }~~ to provide the mental health resources to a small first
 responder agency as described in Section 53-1-104.1{.} ; and
- 205 (b) ~~{ The department may use up }~~ for administrative support related to ~~{ 25% of }~~ providing the
 money in the account for the use } mental health resources described in ~~{ Subsection (8)(a)(ii) }~~
 Section 53-1-104.1.
- 363 Section 7. Section 63I-1-253 is amended to read:
- 364 **63I-1-253. Repeal dates: Titles 53 through 53G.**
- 365 (1) Section 53-1-122, Road Rage Awareness and Prevention Restricted Account, is repealed July 1,
 2028.
- 367 (2) Section 53-2a-105, Emergency Management Administration Council created -- Function --
 Composition -- Expenses, is repealed July 1, 2029.
- 369 (3) Section 53-2a-1103, Search and Rescue Advisory Board -- Members -- Compensation, is repealed
 July 1, 2030.
- 371 (4) Section 53-2a-1104, General duties of the Search and Rescue Advisory Board, is repealed July 1,
 2027.
- 373 (5) Title 53, Chapter 2a, Part 15, Grid Resilience Committee, is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 374 (6) Section 53-2d-104, State Emergency Medical Services Committee -- Membership -- Expenses, is
 repealed July 1, 2029.
- 376 (7) Section 53-2d-503, Establishment of maximum rates, is repealed July 1, 2027.

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- 377 (8) Section 53-5a-302, Concealed Firearm Review Board -- Membership -- Compensation -- Terms --
Duties, is repealed July 1, 2029.
- 379 (9) Section 53-11-104, Board, is repealed July 1, 2029.
- 380 (10) Section 53-21-103, Grants to first responder agencies -- Rulemaking, is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 382 (11) Subsection 53-21-105(3)(d), describing certain funds related to grants for first responder agencies,
is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 384 [(10)] (12) Title 53, Chapter 31, Department Interaction With Local Law Enforcement, is repealed July
1, 2027.
- 386 [(11)] (13) Subsection 53C-3-203(4)(b)(vii), regarding the distribution of money from the Land
Exchange Distribution Account to the Geological Survey for test wells and other hydrologic studies
in the West Desert, is repealed July 1, 2030.
- 389 [(12)] (14) Subsection 53E-1-201(1)(q), regarding the Higher Education and Corrections Council, is
repealed July 1, 2027.
- 391 [(13)] (15) Subsection 53E-2-304(6), regarding foreclosing a private right of action or waiver of
governmental immunity, is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 393 [(14)] (16) Subsection 53E-3-503(5), regarding coordinating councils for youth in care, is repealed July
1, 2027.
- 395 [(15)] (17) Subsection 53E-3-503(6), regarding coordinating councils for youth in care, is repealed July
1, 2027.
- 397 [(16)] (18) Subsection 53E-4-202(8)(b), regarding a standards review committee, is repealed January 1,
2028.
- 399 [(17)] (19) Section 53E-4-203, Standards review committee, is repealed January 1, 2028.
- 400 [(18)] (20) Title 53E, Chapter 6, Part 5, Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission, is repealed
July 1, 2033.
- 402 [(19)] (21) Subsection 53E-7-207(7), regarding a private right of action or waiver of governmental
immunity, is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 404 [(20)] (22) Section 53F-5-215, Elementary teacher preparation assessment grant, is repealed July 1,
2028.
- 406 [(21)] (23) Section 53F-5-219, Local Innovations Civics Education Pilot Program, is repealed July 1,
2026.
- 408 [(22)] (24) Title 53F, Chapter 10, Part 2, Capital Projects Evaluation Panel, is repealed July 1, 2027.

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- 410 ~~[(23)]~~ (25) Subsection 53G-4-608(2)(b), regarding the Utah Seismic Safety Commission, is repealed
January 1, 2025.
- 412 ~~[(24)]~~ (26) Subsection 53G-4-608(4)(b), regarding the Utah Seismic Safety Commission, is repealed
January 1, 2025.
- 414 ~~[(25)]~~ (27) Section 53G-9-212, Drinking water quality in schools, is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 415 ~~[(26)]~~ (28) Subsection 53G-9-703(4), regarding the parental video presentation concerning student use
of technology, is repealed January 1, 2030.
- 417 ~~[(27)]~~ (29) Subsection 53H-1-402(1)(j), regarding the Higher Education and Corrections Council, is
repealed July 1, 2027.
- 419 ~~[(28)]~~ (30) Section 53H-1-604, Higher Education and Corrections Council, is repealed July 1, 2027.
- 421 ~~[(29)]~~ (31) Subsection 53H-4-210(3), regarding the creation of the SafeUT and School Safety
Commission, is repealed January 1, 2030.
- 423 ~~[(30)]~~ (32) Subsection 53H-4-210(4), regarding the appointment of the members of the SafeUT and
School Safety Commission, is repealed January 1, 2030.
- 425 ~~[(31)]~~ (33) Subsection 53H-4-210(5), regarding the attorney general designating the chair of the SafeUT
and School Safety Commission, is repealed January 1, 2030.
- 427 ~~[(32)]~~ (34) Subsection 53H-4-210(6), regarding the quorum requirements of the SafeUT and School
Safety Commission, is repealed January 1, 2030.
- 429 ~~[(33)]~~ (35) Subsection 53H-4-210(7), regarding a formal action of the SafeUT and School Safety
Commission, is repealed January 1, 2030.
- 431 ~~[(34)]~~ (36) Subsection 53H-4-210(8), regarding compensation for members of the SafeUT and School
Safety Commission, is repealed January 1, 2030.
- 433 ~~[(35)]~~ (37) Subsection 53H-4-210(9), regarding the support staff for the SafeUT and School Safety
Commission, is repealed January 1, 2030.
- 435 ~~[(36)]~~ (38) Section 53H-4-306.1, Definitions -- Electrification of Transportation Infrastructure Research
Center, is repealed July 1, 2028.
- 437 ~~[(37)]~~ (39) Section 53H-4-306.2, Electrification of Transportation Infrastructure Research Center --
Designation -- Duties, is repealed July 1, 2028.
- 439 ~~[(38)]~~ (40) Section 53H-4-306.3, Electrification of Transportation Infrastructure Research Center --
Steering committee, is repealed July 1, 2028.

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~~[(39)]~~ (41) Section 53H-4-306.4, Electrification of Transportation Infrastructure Research Center -- Industry advisory board, is repealed July 1, 2028.

~~[(40)]~~ (42) Section 53H-4-306.5, Electrification of Transportation Infrastructure Research Center -- Duties of the project director, is repealed July 1, 2028.

~~[(41)]~~ (43) Section 53H-4-306.6, Electrification of Transportation Infrastructure Research Center -- Project development and strategic objectives -- Reporting requirements, is repealed July 1, 2028.

~~[(42)]~~ (44) Section 53H-4-307.1, Center for Civic Excellence, is repealed July 1, 2030.

~~[(43)]~~ (45) Section 53H-4-307.2, Center for Civic Excellence -- Duties -- Authority, is repealed July 1, 2030.

~~[(44)]~~ (46) Section 53H-4-307.3, Center for Civic Excellence -- Leadership, is repealed July 1, 2030.

~~[(45)]~~ (47) Section 53H-4-307.4, Center for Civic Excellence -- Faculty, is repealed July 1, 2030.

~~[(46)]~~ (48) Section 53H-4-307.5, Center for Civic Excellence -- Curriculum, is repealed July 1, 2030.

~~[(47)]~~ (49) Section 53H-4-307.6, Center for Civic Excellence -- Oversight -- Reporting, is repealed July 1, 2030.

~~[(48)]~~ (50) Section 53H-4-313, Food Security Council, is repealed July 1, 2027.

~~[(49)]~~ (51) Section 53H-8-305, Five-year performance goals, is repealed July 1, 2027.

~~[(50)]~~ (52) Title 53H, Chapter 10, Part 4, Education Savings Incentive Program, is repealed July 1, 2028.

Section . **FY 2027 Appropriations.**

The following sums of money are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027. These are additions to amounts previously appropriated for fiscal year 2027.

Subsection 8(a). **Operating and Capital Budgets**

Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures Act, the Legislature appropriates the following sums of money from the funds or accounts indicated for the use and support of the government of the state of Utah.

To Department of Public Safety - Programs & Operations

(800,000)

112,500

15,000

Schedule of Programs:

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478		(672,500)	
479	To Department of Government Operations - Division of Finance		
480			1,900
482			900
484	Schedule of Programs:		
485		2,800	
486	Subsection 8(b). Restricted Fund and Account Transfers		
487	The Legislature authorizes the State Division of Finance to transfer the following		
488	amounts between the following funds or accounts as indicated. Expenditures and outlays from		
489	the funds to which the money is transferred must be authorized by an appropriation.		
490	To General Fund Restricted - Mental Health Resources for First Responders		
491	Account		
492			800,000
493	Schedule of Programs:		
494		800,000	
496	Section 9. Effective date.		

Effective Date.

~~{This}~~ Except as provided in Subsection (2), this bill takes effect ~~{on}~~ May 6, 2026.

(2) The actions affecting the following sections take effect on July 1, 2026:

(a) Section 53-21-101 (Effective 07/01/26);

(b) Section 53-21-104.1 (Effective 07/01/26); and

(c) Section 53-21-105 (Effective 07/01/26).

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