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State Highway Designation Amendments
2026 GENERAL SESSION
STATE OF UTAH
Chief Sponsor: David Shallenberger
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3 **LONG TITLE**

4 **General Description:**

5 This bill {designates} creates a {~~portion of SR-92 as Robert Redford Highway~~} process and
standards for the special designation of state highways.

6 **Highlighted Provisions:**

7 This bill:

- 8 ▶ {~~designates SR-92 through American Fork Canyon as Robert Redford Highway.~~}
- 8 ▶ provides standards and a process for the proposal of a special designation of a highway;
- 9 ▶ provides limitations on multiple designations for the same individual, or multiple
designations on the same highway;
- 11 ▶ allows special designations by the Legislature to apply only to state highways;
- 12 ▶ limits designations to proposals to honor an individual who has been deceased for at least
five years;
- 14 ▶ creates a committee for review of the special designation proposals;
- 15 ▶ limits special designations to one per year; and
- 16 ▶ provides standards for the highway signage for a special designation.

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17 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

18 None

19 **Other Special Clauses:**

20 None

21 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

22 AMENDS:

23 **52-4-103 , as last amended by Laws of Utah 2025, First Special Session, Chapter 9**

24 ENACTS:

15 ~~{72-4-224 , Utah Code Annotated 1953}~~

25 **72-4-401 , Utah Code Annotated 1953**

26 **72-4-402 , Utah Code Annotated 1953**

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

29 **Section 1. Section 52-4-103 is amended to read:**

30 **52-4-103. Definitions.**

As used in this chapter:

32 (1) "Anchor location" means:

33 (a) the physical location where the public body conducting an electronic meeting under Section
52-4-207 normally conducts meetings of the public body; or

35 (b) a location other than the location described in Subsection (1)(a) that is reasonably as accessible to
the public as the location described in Subsection (1)(a).

37 (2) "Capitol hill complex" means the grounds and buildings within the area bounded by 300 North
Street, Columbus Street, 500 North Street, and East Capitol Boulevard in Salt Lake City.

40 (3) "Electronic meeting" means a meeting that some or all public body members attend through an
electronic video, audio, or both video and audio connection, as provided in Section 52-4-207.

43 (4) "Fiduciary or commercial information" means information:

44 (a) related to any subject if disclosure:

45 (i) would conflict with a fiduciary obligation; or

46 (ii) is prohibited by insider trading provisions; or

47 (b) that is commercial in nature including:

48 (i) account owners or borrowers;

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- 49 (ii) demographic data;
- 50 (iii) contracts and related payments;
- 51 (iv) negotiations;
- 52 (v) proposals or bids;
- 53 (vi) investments;
- 54 (vii) management of funds;
- 55 (viii) fees and charges;
- 56 (ix) plan and program design;
- 57 (x) investment options and underlying investments offered to account owners;
- 58 (xi) marketing and outreach efforts;
- 59 (xii) financial plans; or
- 60 (xiii) reviews and audits.
- 61 (5) "Meeting" means a gathering:
- 62 (a) of a public body or specified body;
- 63 (b) with a quorum present; and
- 64 (c) that is convened:
- 65 (i) by an individual:
- 66 (A) with authority to convene the public body or specified body; and
- 67 (B) following the process provided by law for convening the public body or specified body; and
- 69 (ii) for the express purpose of acting as a public body or specified body to:
- 70 (A) receive public comment about a relevant matter;
- 71 (B) deliberate about a relevant matter; or
- 72 (C) take action upon a relevant matter.
- 73 (6) "Participate" means the ability to communicate with all of the members of a public body, either verbally or electronically, so that each member of the public body can hear or observe the communication.
- 76 (7)
- (a) "Public body" means:
- 77 (i) any administrative, advisory, executive, or legislative body of the state or its political subdivisions that:
- 79 (A) is created by the Utah Constitution, statute, rule, ordinance, or resolution;

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- 80 (B) consists of two or more individuals;
- 81 (C) expends, disburses, or is supported in whole or in part by tax revenue; and
- 82 (D) is vested with the authority to make decisions regarding the public's business; or
- 84 (ii) any administrative, advisory, executive, or policymaking body of an association, as that term is defined in Section 53G-7-1101, that:
- 86 (A) consists of two or more individuals;
- 87 (B) expends, disburses, or is supported in whole or in part by dues paid by a public school or whose employees participate in a benefit or program described in Title 49, Utah State Retirement and Insurance Benefit Act; and
- 90 (C) is vested with authority to make decisions regarding the participation of a public school or student in an interscholastic activity, as that term is defined in Section 53G-7-1101.
- 93 (b) "Public body" includes:
- 94 (i) an interlocal entity or joint or cooperative undertaking, as those terms are defined in Section 11-13-103, except for the Water District Water Development Council created [~~pursuant to~~] in accordance with Section 11-13-228;
- 97 (ii) a governmental nonprofit corporation as that term is defined in Section 11-13a-102;
- 99 (iii) the Utah Independent Redistricting Commission; and
- 100 (iv) a project entity, as that term is defined in Section 11-13-103.
- 101 (c) "Public body" does not include:
- 102 (i) a political party, a political group, or a political caucus;
- 103 (ii) a conference committee, a rules committee, a sifting committee, or an administrative staff committee of the Legislature;
- 105 (iii) a school community council or charter trust land council, as that term is defined in Section 53G-7-1203;
- 107 (iv) a taxed interlocal entity, as that term is defined in Section 11-13-602, if the taxed interlocal entity is not a project entity;
- 109 (v) the following Legislative Management subcommittees, which are established in Section 36-12-8, when meeting for the purpose of selecting or evaluating a candidate to recommend for employment, except that the meeting in which a subcommittee votes to recommend that a candidate be employed shall be subject to the provisions of this [~~aet~~] chapter:
- 114 (A) the Research and General Counsel Subcommittee;

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- 115 (B) the Budget Subcommittee; and
116 (C) the Audit Subcommittee; ~~or~~
117 (vi) the highway designation review committee created in Section 72-4-402; or
118 ~~[(vi)] (vii) a search committee that selects finalists for a position as an institution of higher education
president under Section 53H-3-302.~~
- 120 (8) "Public statement" means a statement made in the ordinary course of business of the public body
with the intent that all other members of the public body receive it.
- 122 (9) "Quorum" means a simple majority of the membership of a public body, unless otherwise defined
by applicable law.
- 124 (10) "Recording" means an audio, or an audio and video, record of the proceedings of a meeting that
can be used to review the proceedings of the meeting.
- 126 (11)
- (a) "Relevant matter" means a matter that is within the scope of the authority of a public body or
specified body.
- 128 (b) "Relevant matter" does not include, for a public body with both executive and legislative
responsibilities, a managerial or operational matter.
- 130 (12) "Specified body":
- 131 (a) means an administrative, advisory, executive, or legislative body that:
- 132 (i) is not a public body;
- 133 (ii) consists of three or more members; and
- 134 (iii) includes at least one member who is:
- 135 (A) a legislator; and
- 136 (B) officially appointed to the body by the president of the Senate, speaker of the House of
Representatives, or governor; and
- 138 (b) does not include a body listed in Subsection (7)(c)(ii), ~~or~~ (7)(c)(v), or (7)(c)(vi).

18 Section 1. Section 1 is enacted to read:

19 **72-4-224. Robert Redford Highway.**

- 20 (1) There is established the Robert Redford Highway composed of the portion of SR-92 from Ashton
Boulevard in Lehi, east through American Fork Canyon to Route 189 in Provo Canyon.

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(2) In addition to other official designations, the Department of Transportation shall designate the portion of the highway identified in Subsection (1) as the Robert Redford Highway on future state highway maps.

26 (3) As soon as practicable, the Department of Transportation shall install appropriate signs along portions of the highway indicating the designation as the Robert Redford Highway as described in Subsection (1).

139 Section 2. Section 2 is enacted to read:

140 **Part 4. State Highway Special Designation Process**

141 **72-4-401. Process for special designation of highways.**

142 (1) A proposal for a special designation of a state highway by the Legislature under this chapter shall follow the procedures described in this part.

144 (2) A proposal for a special designation of a highway shall comply with the following:

145 (a) applies only to a state highway;

146 (b) includes only one special designation for a specific portion of the highway;

147 (c) provides for at least a five-mile gap between each portion of a highway with a special designation;

149 (d) does not propose more than one special designation of a highway for the same individual; and

151 (e) honors an individual who:

152 (i)

(A) exemplifies exceptional bravery in the line of duty, including as a fallen officer, fire fighter, emergency responder, or member of the armed forces; or

154 (B) provided extraordinary contributions to the state or a particular region of the state that are of lasting and significant public importance;

156 (ii) has significant ties to the state; and

157 (iii) has been deceased for at least five years before the proposal of the special designation.

159 (3)

(a) Signage for the special highway designation shall comply with department standards and specifications.

161 (b) Signage is limited to two signs total, with one sign installed for each direction of travel on the highway.

163 (c) The costs of fabrication, installation, and maintenance of the special designation signage shall be paid for by:

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- 165 (i) state General Fund appropriations; or
166 (ii) private donations or gifts, if the donation or gift is managed in accordance with applicable law and
department policy.
168 (4) A legislator may propose a special designation of a highway to the highway designation committee
created in Section 72-4-402.

170 Section 3. Section 3 is enacted to read:

171 **72-4-402. Committee review of proposals of special designations of highways -- Interim**
committee approval.

- 173 (1) There is created the highway designation review committee.
174 (2) The committee is comprised of six legislators appointed as follows:
175 (a) three senators appointed by the president of the Senate; and
176 (b) three representatives appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives.
177 (3) The president of the Senate shall designate one of the Senate appointees as one co-chair of the
committee and the speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate one of the House of
Representatives appointees as the other co-chair.
180 (4) The committee is not a public body and is exempt from Title 52, Chapter 4, Open and Public
Meetings Act.
182 (5) The committee shall receive and hear proposals for special designations of state highways.
184 (6) The committee may approve only one proposal for the special designation of a state highway each
year.
186 (7) If the committee approves a proposal for a special designation of a state highway, the legislator
who proposed the special designation may seek a recommendation from the Transportation Interim
Committee.
189 (8) The Transportation Interim Committee may approve only one proposal for the special designation of
a state highway each year.

191 Section 4. **Effective date.**

Effective Date.

This bill takes effect on May 6, 2026.

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