

**Correctional Facility Capacity Amendments**

2026 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Karianne Lisonbee**

Senate Sponsor:

---

**LONG TITLE****Committee Note:**

The Judiciary Interim Committee recommended this bill.

Legislative Vote: 11 voting for 0 voting against 5 absent

**General Description:**

This bill addresses provisions related to correctional facility capacity.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- creates the Corrections Facility Expansion Restricted Account.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

ENACTS:

**51-9-1001**, Utah Code Annotated 1953**51-9-1002**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

---

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*Section 1. Section **51-9-1001** is enacted to read:**Part 10. Corrections Facility Expansion Restricted Account****51-9-1001 . Definitions.**(1) As used in this part:(a) "Restricted Account" means the Corrections Facility Expansion Restricted Account created in Section 51-9-1002.(b) "State correctional facility" means a facility operated by the Department of Corrections to house inmates.Section 2. Section **51-9-1002** is enacted to read:

**51-9-1002 . Corrections Facility Expansion Restricted Account.**

(1) There is created a restricted account within the General Fund known as the "Corrections Facility Expansion Restricted Account."

(2) The restricted account shall consist of:

(a) the portion of appropriations from new legislation for the Department of Corrections for:

(i) any state correctional capital facilities costs; and

(ii) one time savings that occur from delayed estimated fiscal impacts of increases in the population level of state correctional facilities;

(b) interest, dividends, or other earnings attributable to the restricted account; and

(c) additional money appropriated by the Legislature.

(3) The Legislature may appropriate money from the restricted account only for the purpose of expanding existing, or constructing new, state correctional facilities.

**Section 3. Effective Date.**

This bill takes effect on May 6, 2026.