

Karianne Lisonbee proposes the following substitute bill:

Correctional Facility Capacity Amendments

2026 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Karianne Lisonbee

Senate Sponsor: Todd Weiler

LONG TITLE

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:

This bill provides a special effective date.

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.

As used in this part:

(1) "Restricted Account" means the Corrections Facility Expansion Restricted Account created in Section 51-9-1002.

(2) "State correctional facility" means a facility operated by the Department of Corrections to house offenders.

(3) "Offender" means the same as that term is defined in Section 64-13-1.

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) beginning the second fiscal year of a bill's implementation, 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:

(1) except as provided in Subsection (2), May 6, 2026; or

(2) if approved by two-thirds of all members elected to each house:

(a) upon approval by the governor;

(b) without the governor's signature, the day following the constitutional time limit of Utah Constitution, Article VII, Section 8; or

(c) in the case of a veto, the date of veto override.