

1 **Government Form Submission Amendments**

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STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Jordan D. Teuscher

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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:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:**ENACTS:**

11-72-101, Utah Code Annotated 1953

11-72-102, Utah Code Annotated 1953

63G-34-101, Utah Code Annotated 1953

63G-34-102, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

25 Section 1. Section **11-72-101** is enacted to read:

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

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

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

29 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 **11-72-102** is enacted to read:

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

37 (1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), if a local government requires or requests a
38 person to submit a form, record, or information to the local government, the local
39 government shall provide an electronic means to fill out the form and to submit the
40 form, record, or information, regardless of whether the purpose of the requirement or
41 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) Subsection (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
51 submit the form, record, or information in person.

52 Section 3. Section **63G-34-101** is enacted to read:

53 **CHAPTER 34. State Government - Interaction with Citizens and Others**

54 **63G-34-101 . Definitions.**

55 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.

62 Section 4. Section **63G-34-102** is enacted to read:

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

64 (1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), if state government requires or requests a person

65 to submit a form, record, or information to state government, state government shall
66 provide an electronic means to fill out the form and to submit the form, record, or
67 information, regardless of whether the purpose of the requirement or request is to:
68 (a) comply with a requirement of law;
69 (b) request a service or thing; or
70 (c) request or compel government action or forbearance.

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

72 (a) to the extent prohibited by an express provision of:
73 (i) federal law or rule;
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
77 submit the form, record, or information in person.

78 Section 5. **Effective Date.**

79 This bill takes effect on May 6, 2026.