

Legislator Autonomy Amendments

2026 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Matt MacPherson

Senate Sponsor:

LONG TITLE**General Description:**

This bill enacts provisions related to legislator activities.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

▸ provides that a legislator may introduce and vote on legislation according to the legislator's own judgment and conscience.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

36-3-307, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section **36-3-307** is enacted to read:

36-3-307 . Legislator autonomy.

(1) Each sitting legislator is free to perform the following legislative activities according to the legislator's own judgment and conscience:

(a) introducing or refraining from introducing any legislation, including legislation that enacts, repeals, or amends a provision of the Utah Code or uncodified law; and

(b) voting for or against, or refraining from voting on, any legislation.

(2) The provisions of this section are subject to legislative rules.

Section 2. **Effective Date.**

This bill takes effect on May 6, 2026.