

Independent Entities

Title 63E—Independent Entities Code



Independent Entity

An “independent entity” is an entity that has a public purpose relating to the state or its citizens and is individually created by the state or is given by the state the right to exist and conduct its affairs as an independent state agency, or as an independent corporation. (§ 63E-1-102(4)(a))



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An “independent entity” does not include: the Public Service Commission; an institution within the state system of higher education; a city, county, or town; a local school district; a local district; or a special service district. (§63-1-102(4)(c))



Three Kinds of Independent Entities



Independent State Agency

An entity created by the state, but that is independent of the governor's direct supervisory control. (§63-1-102(5))

Public Corporation

An artificial person, *public in ownership*, individually created by the state as a body politic and corporate for the administration of a public purpose relating to the state or its citizens. (§63-1-102(7))

Quasi-Public Corporation

An artificial person, *private in ownership*, individually created as a corporation by the state, which has accepted from the state the grant of a franchise or contract involving the performance of a public purpose relating to the state or its citizens. (§63-1-102(8))

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Independent State Agency

- Heber Valley Historic Railroad Authority (§63H-4-102)
- School and Institutional Trust Land Administration (§53C-1-201)
- School and Institutional Trust Fund Office (§53D-1-201)
- Utah Communications Authority (§63H-7-201)
- Utah Dairy Commission (§4-22-2; after July 1, 2017, §4-22-103)
- Utah Energy Infrastructure Authority (§63H-2-201)
- Utah State Railroad Museum Authority (§63H-5-102)
- Utah State Retirement Office (URS) (§49-11-201)

Public Corporation

- Military Installation Development Authority (§63H-1-201)
- Utah Housing Corporation (§35A-8-704)
- Utah State Fair Corporation (§63H-8-704)

Quasi-Public Corporation

- Utah Capital Investment Corporation (§63N-6-301)
- Workers' Compensation Fund (§31A-33-102; scheduled for repeal December 31, 2017)