**SUMMARY**

Utah State University, as the State's land grant institution, provides education throughout the state at three residential campuses (Logan, Price, and Blanding); three regional campuses (Brigham City, Uintah Basin, and Tooele); and 27 centers.

The current appropriations structure provides separate line items for each of the three residential campuses, each of the three regional campuses, and one of the centers (Southeastern Continuing Education Center in Moab).

During the 2017 Interim, the Analyst presented a “deep dive” analysis of the budget of the Brigham City Regional Campus. Based on this deep dive, it became clear that this budget included not only the Brigham City Regional Campus expenditures, but also general expenditures associated with the regional campuses as an entity. The deep dive demonstrated that the Brigham City Regional Campus budget overstated the expenditures by including general expenditures that are really general or shared regional campus expenditures.
The Analyst recommends the following:

- Create a new Regional Campuses line item;
- Identify the general regional campus expenditures and make that a new Administration program within the new Regional Campus line item;
- Move the three regional campus budgets from separate line items to programs within the new Regional Campus line item;
- Fold the Southeastern Continuing Education Center budget into the Education and General line item, consistent with the other USU Centers.

This recommendation would reduce the number of line items for Utah State University from 14 to 11, but would not change the overall budget.