

Sunset Review: Heber Valley Historic Railroad Authority

Entity Overview & Sunset Review Process Refresher | September 19, 2019

Purpose of Sunset Reviews

Review statutes that are scheduled to be repealed, in order to:

- eliminate programs that do not serve a clear public purpose; and
- improve existing programs.

Guidelines for Sunset Reviews

From Utah Code Section 63I-1-103

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- (3) The interim committee shall then consider:
 - (a) the extent to which the statute or agency has operated in the public interest and any areas in which the statute or agency needs to improve its ability to operate in the public interest;
 - (b) the extent to which existing statutes interfere with or assist the legitimate functions of the statute or agency, and any other circumstances including budgetary, resource, and personnel matters that have a bearing on the capacity of the statute or agency to serve the public interest;
 - (c) the extent to which the public has been encouraged to participate in the adoption of the rules established in connection with the statute or agency;
 - (d) the extent to which the statute's provisions or agency's programs and services are duplicative of those offered by other statutes or state agencies;
 - (e) the extent to which the objectives of the statute or agency have been accomplished and their public benefit;
 - (f) the adverse effect on the public of termination of the statute or agency; and
 - (g) any other matter relevant to the review.

Questions for Sunset Reviews

- 1. Is the program <u>necessary?</u>
- 2. Is the program accomplishing its objective?
- 3. Are there ways to improve the program?



Heber Valley Historic Railroad Authority

Purpose:	Operate and maintain a scenic and historic railroad in and around Heber Valley (<i>Utah Code</i> Section 63H-4-106).
Last Sunset Date &	July 1, 2009 (2010 H.B. 100 Heber Valley Historic Railroad
Reauthorization Legislation:	Authority)
Current Sunset Date:	July 1, 2020 (<i>Utah Code</i> Section 63I-1-263(10))
Recent Legislation:	2019 S.B. 224 Heber Valley Historic Railroad Amendments: Appropriated funds for the HVHR in FY 2020 to expend on track maintenance and the purchase and configuration of a railroad car and related depot area modifications to accommodate customers in wheelchairs.
Executive Director/Presenter:	Mark Nelson

Retirement and Independent Entities Interim Committee

Options for Sunset Review	Potential Actions
Allow the Authority to expire	Do nothing
Recommend legislation	 Move to open a committee bill file reauthorizing the Heber Valley Historic Railroad Authority for [insert specific time desired]: up to 10 years permanently (repeal sunset requirements for the Authority)
	 2) Move to open a committee bill file reauthorizing the Heber Valley Historic Railroad Authority for [insert specific time desired] and recommending changes/improvements (amendments) to the Authority up to 10 years permanently (repeal sunset requirements for the Authority)
	3) Move to open a committee bill file recommending the sunset of the Heber Valley Historic Railroad Authority now.