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Subsection 63N-10-201(2):

- (2) (a) The governor shall appoint three five commission members with the advice and consent of the Senate.
- (b) The president of the Senate and the speaker of the House of Representatives shall each appoint one commission member.
- (c) The commission members may not be licensees under this chapter.



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63N-10-201(3):

- (3) (a) Except as required by Subsection (3)(b), as terms of current members expire, the governor, president, or speaker, respectively, shall appoint each new member or reappointed member to a four-year term.
- (b) The governor shall, at the time of appointment or reappointment, adjust the length of the governor's appointees' terms to ensure that the terms of members are staggered so that approximately half of the commission is appointed every two years.
- (c) When a vacancy occurs in the membership for any reason, the replacement shall be appointed for the unexpired term.
- (d) A The governor may remove a commission member may be removed for any reason and replaced replace the commission member in accordance with this section. by:
 - (i) the governor, for a commission member appointed by the governor;
 - (ii) the president of the Senate, for a commission member appointed by the president of the Senate; or
 - (iii) the speaker of the House of Representatives, for a commission member appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives.



Related statutory changes: 2007-2018

2007 General Session S.B. 167:

- Moved the commission from the Department of Commerce to the Utah Sports Authority; and
- provided that, beginning January 1, 2008, the Speaker and President each appoint one commission member (the governor appoints the remaining three).

2009 General Session H.B. 400:

- Moved the commission to GOED; and
- removed a provision limiting the number of consecutive terms for commission members.

2018 General Session H.B. 292:

• Strengthened the language regarding removal of a commission member who fails or refuses to fulfill responsibilities and duties, providing the Speaker, President, and Governor can remove their respective appointee(s) for any reason, without the approval of the commission.