



# Common Provisions of SB 139 Amendments to Indigent Defense SB 170 Indigent Defense Amendments SB 175 Defense Contract Amendments

Clarifies the separate responsibilities of the Indigent Defense Commission and the Office of Indigent Defense Services

Same roles,  
same people,  
different  
structure

**INDIGENT  
DEFENSE  
COMMISSION**

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DEFENSE  
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Purpose: Policy

**OFFICE OF  
INDIGENT  
DEFENSE  
SERVICES**

Purpose: Implementation

**Adopts Core Principles**

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**Reviews Indigent  
Defense Systems**

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**Encourages and Aids  
System Improvements**

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**Approves Grant  
Applications**

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**Encourages Input on  
Indigent Defense Policy  
from Stakeholders**

**Works to Help Systems  
Implement Core Principles**

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**Collects and Analyzes  
Data & Reports**

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**Administers Grant  
Programs**

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**Establishes Complaint  
Receipt Procedures**

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**Annual Reports**

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**Recommends  
Improvements for  
Indigent Defense**



**Senate Bill 139**  
**Amendments to**  
**Indigent Defense**  
**Senator**  
**Ralph Okerlund**

Creates the Indigent Appellate Defense Division in the Utah Indigent Commission's Office.

It will provide Utah's 24 smallest counties of the 3rd — 6th class (under 125,000 population) with appellate indigent defense representation.

The governor has recommended \$1.5 million to serve 24 counties.



**Senate Bill 170**  
**Indigent Defense**  
**Amendments**  
**Senator**  
**Todd Weiler**

Moves inmate defense at Gunnison Prison out of Finance and into the Office of Indigent Defense Services

No Fiscal Note



**Senate Bill 175**  
**Defense Contracts**  
**Amendments**  
**Senator**  
**Wayne Harper**

Authorizes the Indigent Defense Commission to draw down federal funds to support parent representation

Moves the Parental Defense Alliance under the Office of Indigent Defense Services

No Fiscal Note