

STATE FLAG TASK FORCE

2021 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

LONG TITLE**General Description:**

This bill creates the State Flag Task Force and provides the task force's duties regarding the proposal of a new state flag of Utah.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ creates the State Flag Task Force;
- ▶ provides for the appointment of task force members;
- ▶ describes the duties of the task force, which include:
 - creating a process that includes public input for the submission and assessment of designs for a new state flag; and
 - providing a written report and recommendations for the design of a new state flag to the Economic Development and Workforce Services Interim Committee;
- ▶ establishes a repeal date for the task force; and
- ▶ makes technical changes.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

63I-2-263, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Fifth Special Session, Chapter 12

ENACTS:

63G-1-1001, Utah Code Annotated 1953

63G-1-1002, Utah Code Annotated 1953

63G-1-1003, Utah Code Annotated 1953

63G-1-1004, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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34 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

35 Section 1. Section **63G-1-1001** is enacted to read:

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Part 10. State Flag Task Force

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63G-1-1001. Definitions.

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As used in this part:

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(1) "Principles of good flag design" means the principles described in Section

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63G-1-1005.

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(2) "Task force" means the State Flag Task Force created in Section 63G-1-1002.

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Section 2. Section **63G-1-1002** is enacted to read:

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63G-1-1002. State Flag Task Force -- Creation -- Membership -- Meetings --

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Vacancies -- Per diem and expenses -- Staff.

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(1) There is created the State Flag Task Force.

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(2) The task force consists of the following 9 members:

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(a) one member of the Senate, appointed by the president of the Senate;

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(b) one member of the House of Representatives, appointed by the speaker of the

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House of Representatives;

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(c) the following four individuals, appointed by the governor:

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(i) one individual representing the office of the governor;

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(ii) after receiving recommendations from the Utah Association of Counties, one

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individual serving in the legislative body of a county of the third, fourth, fifth, or sixth class;

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(iii) after receiving recommendations from the Utah League of Cities and Towns, one

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individual serving in the legislative body of a city of the first class; and

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(iv) one individual who is a member of a national or international vexillological

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organization or association;

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(d) one individual representing the Division of State History, appointed by the director

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of the division;

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(e) one individual representing the Board of Tourism Development, appointed by the

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chair of the board; and

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(f) one individual representing the State Board of Education, appointed by the chair of

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the State Board of Education.

64 (3) Each individual with authority to appoint an individual under Subsection (2) shall
65 make the appointment on or before June 1, 2021.

66 (4) The legislators appointed to the task force under Subsections (2)(a) and (b) shall
67 serve as cochairs of the task force.

68 (5) A majority of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction of task force
69 business.

70 (6) The task force shall ensure that each meeting of the task force complies with Title
71 52, Chapter 4, Open and Public Meetings Act.

72 (7) The term of each member of the task force ends on November 30, 2022.

73 (8) (a) A member of the task force may be removed from the task force by the
74 individual who appointed the member.

75 (b) Within 14 days after the day on which a vacancy occurs on the task force for any
76 reason, the individual who originally appointed the member shall fill the vacancy in accordance
77 with Subsection (2).

78 (9) (a) A task force member may not receive compensation or benefits for the
79 member's service on the task force but may receive per diem and reimbursement for travel
80 expenses incurred as a task force member as allowed in Sections 63A-3-106 and 63A-3-107
81 and rules that the Division of Finance makes in accordance with Sections 63A-3-106 and
82 63A-3-107.

83 (b) Compensation and expenses of a task force member who is a legislator are
84 governed by Section 36-2-2 and Legislative Joint Rules, Title 5, Legislative Compensation and
85 Expenses.

86 (10) The Department of Heritage and Arts shall assist the task force in conducting task
87 force meetings.

88 Section 3. Section **63G-1-1003** is enacted to read:

89 **63G-1-1003. Task force duties.**

90 The task force shall:

91 (1) convene the task force's initial meeting on or before June 11, 2021;

92 (2) create a process for the submission and task force assessment of proposed designs
93 for a new state flag of Utah;

94 (3) on or before September 15, 2021, select a group of up to 10 proposed flag designs

95 that:

96 (a) represent the state; and

97 (b) adhere to the principles of good flag design;

98 (4) create a process that includes the gathering of public input to review the proposed

99 flag designs described in Subsection (1)(c) and to select a proposed new state flag of Utah; and

100 (5) on or before November 1, 2021, provide a written report and recommendations to

101 the Economic Development and Workforce Services Interim Committee and the Legislature

102 regarding:

103 (a) the proposed flag designs described in Subsection (1)(c);

104 (b) the process and results of the review of the proposed flag designs described in

105 Subsection (1)(d);

106 (c) the task force's recommendation for the design of a new state flag of Utah; and

107 (d) proposed legislation designating a new state flag of Utah, which may include a

108 recommendation to designate the current state flag of Utah described in Section 63G-1-501 as

109 the official state ceremonial flag of Utah or other designation to recognize that flag's historical

110 significance.

111 Section 4. Section **63G-1-1004** is enacted to read:

112 **63G-1-1004. Principles of good flag design.**

113 In assessing proposed designs for a new state flag of Utah, the task force may consider

114 the extent to which a flag design adheres to the following principles of good flag design:

115 (1) whether the flag design is sufficiently simple that a child could draw the flag design

116 from memory;

117 (2) whether the flag design uses meaningful symbolism, including the use of:

118 (a) a main graphic element, giving preference to a single primary symbol; or

119 (b) meaningful colors, shapes, or layout of the parts of the flag design;

120 (3) whether the flag design uses two to three basic colors that:

121 (a) contrast well; and

122 (b) are varying shades of standard colors like red, blue, green, black, yellow, or white;

123 (4) whether the flag design avoids writing or the use of a seal, including lettering or a

124 seal that is difficult to:

125 (a) see or read from a distance; or

126 (b) reduce to a smaller scale for use on a pin or graphic; and
127 (5) whether the flag design is sufficiently distinctive to avoid duplicating other flags
128 while allowing for the use of similarities to represent connections.

129 Section 5. Section **63I-2-263** is amended to read:

130 **63I-2-263. Repeal dates, Title 63A to Title 63N.**

131 (1) On July 1, 2020:

132 (a) Subsection 63A-1-203(5)(a)(i) is repealed; and

133 (b) in Subsection 63A-1-203(5)(a)(ii), the language that states "appointed on or after
134 May 8, 2018," is repealed.

135 (2) Section 63A-3-111 is repealed June 30, 2021.

136 (3) Title 63C, Chapter 19, Higher Education Strategic Planning Commission is
137 repealed July 1, 2021.

138 (4) Title 63C, Chapter 22, Digital Wellness, Citizenship, and Safe Technology
139 Commission is repealed July 1, 2023.

140 (5) The following sections regarding the World War II Memorial Commission are
141 repealed on July 1, 2022:

142 (a) Section 63G-1-801;

143 (b) Section 63G-1-802;

144 (c) Section 63G-1-803; and

145 (d) Section 63G-1-804.

146 (6) The following sections regarding the State Flag Task Force are repealed on January
147 1, 2023:

148 (a) Section 63G-1-1001;

149 (b) Section 63G-1-1002;

150 (c) Section 63G-1-1003; and

151 (d) Section 63G-1-1004.

152 [~~(6)~~] (7) Subsections 63G-6a-802(1)(d) and 63G-6a-802(3)(b)(iii), regarding a
153 procurement relating to a vice presidential debate, are repealed January 1, 2021.

154 [~~(7)~~] (8) In relation to the State Fair Park Committee, on January 1, 2021:

155 (a) Section 63H-6-104.5 is repealed; and

156 (b) Subsections 63H-6-104(8) and (9) are repealed.

- 157 [~~(8)~~] (9) Section 63H-7a-303 is repealed July 1, 2024.
- 158 [~~(9)~~] (10) Subsection 63J-1-206(3)(c), relating to coronavirus, is repealed July 1, 2021.
- 159 [~~(10)~~] (11) In relation to the Employability to Careers Program Board, on July 1, 2022:
- 160 (a) Subsection 63J-1-602.1(57) is repealed;
- 161 (b) Subsection 63J-4-301(1)(h), related to the review of data and metrics, is repealed;
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- 163 (c) Title 63J, Chapter 4, Part 7, Employability to Careers Program, is repealed.
- 164 [~~(11)~~] (12) Title 63M, Chapter 4, Part 8, Voluntary Home Energy Information Pilot
- 165 Program Act, is repealed January 1, 2022.
- 166 [~~(12)~~] (13) Sections 63M-7-213 and 63M-7-213.5 are repealed on January 1, 2023.
- 167 [~~(13)~~] (14) Subsection 63N-12-508(3) is repealed December 31, 2021.
- 168 [~~(14)~~] (15) Title 63N, Chapter 13, Part 3, Facilitating Public-Private Partnerships Act,
- 169 is repealed January 1, 2024.
- 170 [~~(15)~~] (16) Title 63N, Chapter 15, COVID-19 Economic Recovery Programs, is
- 171 repealed December 31, 2021.