

Utah Marriage Commission

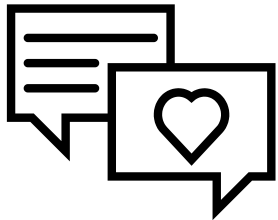
Amendment Summary



Reduce \$20 user fee to \$10 for all marriage licenses

Revenue estimate: \$250,000 per year
Utilization of funds:

- Promote stronger marriage resources and relationships across the state
 - > Stronger marriages = stronger family relationships
 - > Lower divorce rate = lower long-term impact on taxpayers and communities
- Develop media, non-profit, and community partnerships
- Pursue 501(c)3 status



Remove premarital education provisions



Repeal sunset date for fee and replace with reporting requirement



Remove marriage education online fee waiver

- Most clerks offices don't have an online application system
- Reduces concerns about online licensing fraud
- Eliminates costs needed to administer refunds



Move UMC oversight from Department of Human Services to Utah State University

Utah State University's mission includes "serving the public through learning, discovery, and engagement." With offices in every county, USU is a strategic partner for programs that strengthen communities and families. "USU supports Representative Ballard's proposed Marriage Commission Amendments, including moving programmatic and financial oversight to Utah State University."
- Brian Higginbotham, Associate Vice President, USU Extension