

## Advocacy Office Proposed Motion

I move that the Executive Offices and Criminal Justice Appropriation Subcommittee support the creation of an informal study group for the purpose of proposing statutory responsibilities of the Land Trust Protection and Advocacy Office's within Utah's Trust System. The study group should also make recommendations for guidelines and increased accountability of beneficiary use of trust distributions, consistent with the recent Legislative audit of Utah's Trust System Entities.

The study group as outlined below should be co-chaired by two legislators (one from each body of the Legislature and appointed by Legislative Leadership). The study group shall present its findings and recommendations to the Executive Offices and Criminal Justice Appropriations Subcommittee no later than October 2025.

### Proposed Membership of Trust System Beneficiary Protection and Advocacy Study Group:

- One member of the Utah House of Representatives (co-chair)
- One member of the Utah Senate (co-chair)
- One Public Education Trust beneficiary representative (USBET Trust Lands Advisory Committee chair or co-chair)
- One non-public education trust beneficiary representative
- SITLA Board of Trustees chair or other board member designee
- SITFO Board of Trustees chair or other board member designee
- Protection & Advocacy Committee chair or other committee member designee
- Governor's Office (Senior Advisor of Public Education)
- Attorney well versed in trust law
- Staff support provided by Land Trusts Protection and Advocacy Office