



Office of the Legislative Auditor General

2025 General Session Impact

Each year our office publishes a number of audits that provide the Legislature with objective and credible information, in-depth analysis, findings, and conclusions. These reports help legislators improve programs, reduce costs, and promote accountability. Each session, a number of these recommendations are implemented through legislation. Below are bills from the 2025 General Session that were influenced by our audit findings or that impacted our office.



HB300, HB263

Amendments to Election Law (Rep. Burton)
Election Record Amendments (Rep. Thurston)

Report Number 2024-20

A Performance Audit of Utah's Election System

The 2025 session saw many election-related bills. Our 2024 audit of Utah's election system was cited across many policy discussions. It also informed attempts to improve the way Utah verifies the identity of voters and the way the state voter list is maintained.



HB246

Statewide Online Education Program
Amendments (Rep. Ellison)

Report Number 2024-11

A Performance Audit of the Statewide Online
Education Program

HB246 includes requirements for the State Online Education Program enrollment system, which are responsive to recommendations in the audit.



HB483

School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration
Modifications (Rep. Walter)

Report Number 2024-13

A Performance Audit of the School and Institutional
Trust Lands Administration

HB483 requires that SITLA regularly value its land portfolio and submit an annual report. Both of those requirements will help SITLA implement audit recommendations to improve land management.



HB285

Water Infrastructure Modifications (Rep. Snider)

Report Number 2023-10

High Risk List: Identifying and Mitigating Critical
Vulnerabilities in Utah-2023

HB285 requires any public water system that applies for state or federal loans to have a capital asset management plan and a reserve funding analysis in place. Our report noted that many smaller systems lacked such plans.

SB164

Modifications to Election Law (Sen. Harper)



Report Number 2024-16

A Performance Audit of the Signature Verification Process

SB164 makes several revisions to the signature gathering and verification process for candidate petition packets, responsive to audit recommendations to increase the controls and transparency over that process.

HB545

School District Governance Agreements (Rep. Peterson)



Report Number 2024-21

An In-Depth Follow-Up Audit of the Salt Lake
City School District

HB545 directly implements a recommendation to consider whether shared governance is appropriate for school districts. The bill prevents school boards from delegating decision-making or other governance authority to private associations or groups.

HB260, HB265

First Credential Program, Higher Education
Strategic Reinvestment (Rep. Peterson)



Report Number 2024-22

A Performance Audit of the Utah System of Higher Education

HB260 responds to audit recommendations for better collaboration among the Utah System of Higher Education institutions. The audit also recommended better data driven decision making for programs that best align with workforce demands. HB265 requires institutions to evaluate programs and to strategically reinvest funds to areas of localized and statewide workforce demand.

HB243

Agriculture Water Optimization Amendments
(Rep. Snider)



Report Number 2023-15

Utah's Water Management

HB243 adds clarification that the Agricultural Water Optimization Committee can fund research that "establishes methods for measuring saved water or the effectiveness of agricultural water optimization funding programs".

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HCR 14

HCR Supporting Streamlining Utah Housing Policies (Rep. Whyte)

Report Number 2023-16

A Performance Audit of Utah Housing Policy

HCR14 cites our 2023 audit on Utah's housing affordability crisis, expressing the Legislature's intent to streamline housing-related policies and programs to better implement the audit's recommendations and increase attainable homeownership.



HB70

Decommissioned Asset Disposition (Rep. Walter)

Report Number 2023-13

A Performance Audit of the Intermountain Power Agency

The audit identified that the benefits to the state are decreasing with Intermountain Power Agency's shift away from coal and decommissioning of the plant. This bill prohibits altering facilities or modifying existing interconnections that provide power in Utah, ensuring some of the benefits are maintained in-state.



SB202

Property Tax Revisions (Sen. Wilson)

Report Number 2024-05

A Performance Audit of Utah's Property Tax System

SB202 responded to audit recommendations, which increase transparency and accountability to citizens.



HB391, SB215

**Emergency Medical Services Revisions (Rep. Nguyen)
Emergency Medical Services Modifications (Sen. Owens)**

Report Number 2024-19

Emergency Medical Transportation

These bills responded to audit recommendations, including increased accountability for ground ambulance providers and granting cities control over ground ambulance interfacility transfers.



SB43 and HB301

**Income Tax Credit Review (Sen. McCay)
Ambulance Provider Payment Amendments (Rep. Maloy)**

Potential Future Audits

If prioritized by the Legislative Audit Subcommittee, OLAG will conduct comprehensive performance audits of the income tax credits.

An additional audit will be conducted on ground ambulance provider fine regulations and insurance companies if prioritized by the Legislative Audit Subcommittee.

HB368, HB37

**Local Land Use Amendments (Rep. Whyte)
Utah Housing Amendments (Rep. Dunnigan)**



Report Number 2023-16

A Performance Audit of Utah Housing Policy

The Legislature passed multiple bills to address housing affordability, citing our 2023 audit as one motivating factor. HB37 specifically addressed multiple audit recommendations, most notably to require the creation of a state housing plan by the end of 2025. Other housing bills reflect broad stakeholder collaboration to streamline regulation and create incentives for affordable home ownership.

SCR3

Concurrent Resolution Regarding Utah's Authority to Determine its Energy Future (Sen. Harper)



Report Number 2023-06

A Performance Audit of Utah's State Energy Policy

SCR3 addresses challenges to ensure Utah makes its own decisions regarding energy policy.

HB163

Adult Probation and Parole Amendments (Rep. Burton)



Report Number 2022-13

A Performance Audit of the Oversight and Effectiveness of Adult Probation and Parole

HB163 addresses audit findings by requiring the Division of Adult Probation and Parole to monitor the status of an offender with mental condition who has been placed on parole.

HB39

Correctional Health Amendments (Rep. Eliason)



Report Number 2021-17 and 2023-01

**A Performance Audit of Healthcare in State Prisons
An In-Depth Follow-Up of Healthcare in State Prisons**

HB39 addressed recommendations to comply with national standards for intake exams and face-to-face visits. It adds additional reporting requirements and a working group to determine needed steps for the electronic health record to be able to report on exam and face-to-face data.

SB154 and SJR4

Legislative Audit Amendments



Clarifies OLAG's Access to Privileged Documents

The 2025 Legislative Session clarified certain duties and powers of OLAG, including a process for handling "privileged items" during audit work, additional details for audit response plans, and authorization to review and monitor the Utah System of Higher Education.