



Interim Highlights

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List of Committee Bills for the 2026 General Session
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Legislative Interim Meetings

Meetings were held May 21, 2025, or as noted

Business and Labor

2025 Interim Study Items

Reviewed the proposed 2025 interim [study items list](#) for the Business and Labor Interim Committee.

Actions: Amended and approved the proposed interim study items list by adding three study items:

- the causes and impacts of small business closures;
- software licensing practices in the state; and
- protecting the rights of entitlement holders when purchasing securities.

Granted the chairs authority to independently open committee bill files.

Audit Findings and Response: Department of Alcoholic Beverage Services

Received a presentation from the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Services detailing the background, findings, and department response to the most recent [report](#) by the state auditor on department operations.

OPLR Annual Review: Initial Findings

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of Professional Licensure Review (OPLR) detailing the preliminary findings from its annual review of nursing and allied health professions.

Action: Opened a committee bill file to adopt recommendations made by OPLR regarding nursing and allied health professions.

Sunset Review: Behavior Analyst Licensing Act

Received a [presentation](#) from the Division of Professional Licensing on the scope of practice, educational opportunities available, and complaints and disciplinary actions taken against practitioners regulated by the Behavior Analyst Licensing Act.

Action: Opened a committee bill file to extend the sunset date of the Behavior Analyst Licensing Act by 10 years.

Sunset Review: Health Care Providers Immunity from Liability Act

Heard a summary of the provisions of the Health Care Providers Immunity from Liability Act from committee staff.

Action: Opened a committee bill file to extend the sunset date of the Health Care Providers Immunity from Liability Act by 10 years.

Sunset Review: Land Use and Eminent Domain Advisory Board

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of the Property Rights Ombudsman and the Land Use and Eminent Domain Advisory Board on the history, purpose, and duties of the board.

Action: Opened a committee bill file to extend the sunset date of the Land Use and Eminent Domain Advisory Board by 10 years.

Chairs: Rep. A. Cory Maloy / Sen. Evan J. Vickers
Staff: Rohnin Randles (Policy Analyst) / Robert Wood (Policy Analyst) / Tyler Moore (Associate General Counsel) / Austin Weenig (Associate General Counsel) / Kaelie Mortensen (Administrative Assistant)



Economic Development and Workforce Services

2025 Interim Study Items

Reviewed the proposed interim [study items list](#) and [sunset reviews](#) for the 2025 interim. Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff on the guiding themes of the interim with an approximate schedule of when study items will be considered by the committee.

Actions: Amended the study items list to include blockchain, digital innovation, artificial intelligence, and robotics.

Approved the study items list, as amended.

Authorized committee chairs to independently open bill files related to the approved study items.

Community Services Block Grant

Received a [presentation](#) from the Department of Workforce Services regarding the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) program by the Deputy Directors of the Department of Workforce Services. Federal law requires states to hold at least one legislative hearing every three years to be eligible to receive CSBG funds. The presentation included the history of the grant, how much Utah receives, how Utah uses the funds to meet state plan goals, and outcomes of 2024 projects.

Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff with an accompanying [handout](#) on the scope and purposes of the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity (GOEO). Heard comments from the nominee for executive director and the managing director of operations for GOEO.

Housing

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff with an accompanying [handout](#) on the scope of the "Housing" study item.

Sunset Review: Bears Ears Visitor Center Advisory Committee

Received a [presentation](#) from the Division of Indian Affairs about the Bears Ears Visitor Center Advisory Committee membership, statutory purpose, progress, and challenges.

Action: Opened a committee bill file to extend the sunset by two years until December 31, 2028.

Sunset Review: Child Care Advisory Committee

Received a [presentation](#) from deputy directors of the Department of Workforce Services on the Office of Childcare and the Child Care Advisory Committee. The presentation included information on the purpose and duties of the committee, committee membership, and a recommendation to extend the sunset by five years to July 1, 2031.

Action: Opened a committee bill file to extend the sunset by three years until July 1, 2029.

Sunset Review: Overview

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff on the guidelines of a sunset review and the sunset reviews assigned to the committee.

Chairs: Rep. Jon Hawkins / Sen. Ann Millner
Staff: Sivan Nizan (Policy Analyst) / Rhonda Bailey (Associate General Counsel) / Samantha Merrell (Administrative Assistant)

Education

2025 Interim Study Items

Reviewed the proposed 2025 interim [study items list](#) for the Education Interim Committee.

Actions: Amended the interim study items list to include how students are impacted by the way schools implemented lunchtime and recess and approved the list as amended.

Authorized the chairs to open committee bill files on topics related to the approved interim study items list.

Higher Education: Institutional Statements Acknowledging Relationships with Tribes and Ancestral Lands

Received an update from the Board of Higher Education on its policy R252, [Institutional Statements Acknowledging Relationships with Tribes and Ancestral Lands](#), which was approved by the Utah Board of Higher Education on March 27, 2025.

Legislative Audit: OpenEd Program

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of the Legislative Auditor General on A Performance [Audit](#) of the OpenEd Program Reviewing Educational Service Provider Funding and Improving Oversight.

Action: Opened a committee bill file to address recommendations from the audit.

Public Education: Local Education Agency Disciplinary Action

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff on the Utah Professional Practices Commission (UPPAC) and heard a presentation from the State Board of Education on the board's processes for addressing disciplinary action, including UPPAC processes.

Received presentations from [Davis School District](#), [Salt Lake City School District](#), [Tooele School District](#), and Leadership Learning Academy on their processes for managing allegations of improper conduct and staff and employee discipline.

Chairs: Rep. Candice B. Pierucci / Sen. John D. Johnson
Staff: Finn Andrew Rose (Policy Analyst) / Micah Ann Wixom (Policy Analyst) / Tyler Keetch (Associate General Counsel) / Jeff Van Hulten (Associate General Counsel) / Mike Curtis (Managing Associate General Counsel) / Amy Hawkes (Administrative Assistant)

Federalism Commission

May 13, 2025

Department of Environmental Quality

Heard from the Department of Environmental Quality regarding meetings with the Environmental Protection Agency and efforts to protect state's rights against federal actions.

Federalism as a Structural Matter

Heard from two legislators regarding addressing federalism as a structural issue and not from a partisan or political point of view. Discussed how to maintain the focus of the commission on the core principles of federalism without drifting into party politics.

Implementation of H.B. 488

Heard status updates from Utah Valley University and legislators regarding:

- [outreach to other states](#) with designated federalism entities;
- the creation of a [national federalism initiative](#);
- development of a federalism education and training program; and
- preparations for a federalism summit to be held in Utah in September.

Overview of the Federalism Commission

Received an [overview](#) from commission staff regarding the duties and responsibilities of the commission. Also received an [overview](#) from a legislator regarding federalism related bills from the 2025 General Session.

Considered [proposed future meetings](#).

Chairs: Rep. Ken Ivory / Sen. Ronald M. Winterton
Staff: Nathan W. Brady (Policy Analyst) / Gus Harb (Associate General Counsel) / Samantha Merrell (Administrative Assistant)

Government Operations

Elections: Policy and Legal Landscape

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff on statewide trends, federal legislation, and relevant court cases related to elections.

Interim Study Items

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff on the proposed 2025 interim study items list for the Government Operations Interim Committee.

Actions: Amended the proposed interim study items list to include an additional study item to review the status of 2025 General Session H.B. 77, "[Flag Display Amendments](#)."

Approved the amended study items list.

Granted the chairs authority to open committee bill files for items on the list.

Legislative Audit: State Credit Card Processing Fees

Received a presentation from the Office of the Legislative Auditor General regarding A Performance [Audit of the State Credit Card Processing Fees](#), which addresses the Division of Purchasing's statewide cooperative contract for credit card processing. The Department of Government Operations, the Utah System of Higher Education, and the State Board of Education provided their plans to implement the audit recommendations.

Action: Opened a committee bill file to address the audit's legislative recommendations.

Legislative Audit: Cybersecurity of Elections

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of the Legislative Auditor General regarding A Performance [Audit of Election Cybersecurity](#), which addresses the equipment and systems Utah uses to scan ballots, count votes, and display election results, and whether the equipment is in compliance with statute and other relevant cybersecurity best practices. Heard from a representative of the county clerks in response to the audit findings.

Action: Opened a committee bill file to address the audit's legislative recommendations.

Review of 2025 General Session Government Operations Legislation

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff regarding statistics and key policy changes from legislation introduced and passed during the 2025 General Session.

Chairs: Rep. Jefferson S. Burton / Sen. Ronald M. Winterton
Staff: Kirsi Jarvis (Policy Analyst) / Megan L. Bolin (Senior Policy Analyst) / Michael Cipriano (Associate General Counsel) / Thomas R. Vaughn (Managing Associate General Counsel) / Tracey Fredman (Administrative Assistant)

Health and Human Services

2025 Interim Study Plan

Reviewed the proposed 2025 interim [study items list](#).

Actions: Amended and approved the proposed interim study item list by adding new study items regarding toxins in feminine hygiene products and food insecurity for senior citizens.

Authorized the chairs to open committee bill files on topics related to the approved interim study items list.

Behavioral Health Audits

Received presentations from the Office of the Legislative Auditor General regarding A Performance [Audit of Utah's Behavioral Health System](#) and A Performance [Audit of the Utah's Behavioral Health Workforce](#).

Action: Opened a committee bill file to address inaccurate or outdated information in health plan provider directories.

Dental Health

Received a [presentation](#) regarding xylitol and opportunities that exist to leverage its dental health benefits.

Medicaid

Received a [presentation](#) from the Department of Health and Human Services regarding Utah's Medicaid program, including information on the justice-involved waiver and the community engagement requirement proposal.

Statutory Reports

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff on statutorily required reports for the 2025 interim.

Sunset Reviews

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff on the sunset review process and sunseting statutes within the committee's purview

Chairs: Rep. Bridger Bolinder / Sen. Keith Grover
Staff: Lisa Sorensen (Policy Analyst) / Seth Anderson (Policy Analyst) / Amy Shewan (Associate General Counsel) / Christopher Williams (Associate General Counsel) / Kami Orton (Associate General Counsel) / Shay Berger (Administrative Assistant)

Judiciary

2025 Interim Study Items

Actions: Amended and approved the 2025 interim [study items list](#) by removing the proposed study item related to the court rule on recording physical and medical examinations, revising the proposed study item on domestic violence risk assessment to include a broader review of the state's approaches to domestic violence, and adding the following study items:

- consolidation of judicial districts;
- reforms to adoption laws and practices to address "adoption tourism," juvenile justice recidivism, and transfers of juveniles to the adult criminal justice system; and
- criminal offenses against service animals.

Authorized the chairs to independently open up to three committee bill files for items on the approved interim study items list.

Calls for Legislative Action

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff on recent appellate court decisions that call for legislative action, such as clarifying statutes.

Actions: Opened a committee bill file to address the Court of Appeals' jurisdiction over a biological father's appeal of the termination of parental rights.

Referred the issue of the authority of administrative law judges to issue sanctions to the Rules Review and General Oversight Committee.

Other Committee Bill Files

Action: Opened committee bill files to address:

- juvenile justice recidivism and transfers of juveniles to the adult criminal justice system;
- the use of polygraphs in criminal cases; and
- the admissibility of evidence in sexual assault cases of similar crimes or other acts.

Proposal to Review Utah State Constitution Headers

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff on a proposal to review and potentially remove brackets from the headers in the Utah State Constitution.

Action: Opened a committee joint resolution directing staff to review and potentially remove the brackets from the headers in the Utah State Constitution.

Sunset Review: Interdisciplinary Parental Representation Pilot Program

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff, comments from a legislator, and a [presentation](#) from the Indigent Defense Commission on the sunset provisions of 2024 General Session S.B. 134, "[Child Welfare Amendments](#)," The legislation extended the prior sunset date for the Interdisciplinary Parental Representation Pilot Program, which added a social worker to a parent's legal team in child welfare cases.

Action: Opened a committee bill file to extend the sunset date for the Interdisciplinary Parental Representation Pilot Program by five years and incorporate other amendments to the program as agreed to by stakeholders.

Chairs: Rep. Stephanie Gricius / Sen. Todd Weiler
Staff: Jonathan Adams (Policy Analyst) / Jacqueline Carlton (Senior Associate General Counsel) / Paige Nelson (Associate General Counsel) / Naomi Garrow (Administrative Assistant)

Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice

2025 Interim Study Items and Committee Overview

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff on the 2025 interim study items and other committee updates.

Action: Amended and approved the 2025 proposed study items list by adding the following additional study items:

- the methods of data collection from law enforcement agencies on unlicensed drivers; and
- review of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) work with the Department of Corrections (DOC) to identify legislative actions that will help DHHS with its DOC efforts.

A More Comprehensive Approach to Criminal Justice Policy

Received a [presentation](#) from the Utah Defense Attorney Association regarding taking a more comprehensive approach to criminal justice policy using data analysis and advisory groups, and adopting a holistic framework when considering legislation.

Cryptocurrency Fraud and Seizure

Received a [presentation](#) from the Attorney General's Office on the need for state guidelines for investigating crimes involving cryptocurrency.

Earlier Analysis of Bills Impacting Criminal Justice Policy

Received a [presentation](#) from the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice about improving Utah's criminal justice strategy by creating a criminal justice framework, reviewing data, and evaluating criminal offenses that impact state agency work.

Sentencing Matrices

Received a [presentation](#) from the Sentencing Commission on how Utah's sentencing matrices operate. Received a summary regarding a specific criminal offense, the average sentence received for that offense, time served, and how that sentence compares to sentencing in other states.

Solvability of Violent Crime

Received a [presentation](#) from the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice on strategies to reduce violent crime by sharing Utah violent crime data and factors that may impact the factors that may impact the ability to solve violent crimes.

Chairs: Rep. Ryan D. Wilcox / Sen. Calvin R. Musselman
Staff: Lacey Johnson (Policy Analyst) / Taylor Calabrese (Policy Analyst) / Shad Larson (Associate General Counsel) / Jackie Rogers (Associate General Counsel) / Amy Hawkes (Administrative Assistant)



Legislative Management

April 15, 2025

2025 Interim Schedule

Action: Approved the 2025 interim [committee schedule](#) for both interim committees and appropriations subcommittees.

Authorized Legislative Meetings

Considered a list of boards and commissions with legislators to determine those for which legislator participation should be compensated.

Action: Approved the proposed list of [authorized legislative meetings](#).

Proposed 2025 Study Items

Action: Modified and approved a list of 2025 [interim study items](#) for interim committees' study.

Sunset Review Assignments

Action: Approved staff recommendations regarding the assignment of [Sunset Act reviews](#) to interim committees.

Chairs: President J. Stuart Adams / Speaker Mike Schultz
Staff: John Q. Cannon (Director) / Victoria Ashby (General Counsel) / Amy Hawkes (Administrative Assistant)

Medical Cannabis Governance Structure

Working Group

May 20, 2025

Department of Agriculture and Food Rulemaking Processes

Received a [presentation](#) from the Department of Agriculture and Food on agency rulemaking processes related to the implementation of the medical cannabis program.

Action: Directed the working group to draft and deliver an official letter to the Medical Cannabis Production and Pharmacy Licensing Board regarding legislative intent to maintain geographic regions for the purpose of issuing medical cannabis licenses.

Medical Cannabis Use by Participants in Problem Solving Courts

Received a presentation from Utah State Courts staff on a [proposal](#) regarding medical cannabis patient participation in Problem Solving Courts.

Action: Recommended that the working group consider the Utah State Courts' proposal regarding medical cannabis patient participation in Problem Solving Courts.

Patient Product Information Inserts

Discussed the development and distribution of patient product information inserts for medical cannabis products.

Upcoming Considerations and Priorities

Received a [presentation](#) from working group staff on legislative recommendations from the Medical Cannabis Policy Advisory Board and discussed strategies to improve Utah's medical cannabis program.

Action: Recommended that the working group consider recommendations from the Medical Cannabis Policy Advisory Board made at its April 15, 2025, meeting.

Chairs: Rep. Walt Brooks / Sen. Evan J. Vickers
Staff: Seth Anderson (Policy Analyst) / Christopher Williams (Associate General Counsel) / Victoria Firmage (Administrative Assistant Team Lead)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment

2025 Interim Study Items

Reviewed the proposed 2025 interim [study items list](#).

Actions: Amended and adopted the 2025 interim study items list by modifying the description of the "Water Issues" study item and adding "Farm Name Registration."

Granted the chairs authority to open committee bill files related to committee study items.

Noxious Weeds

Heard from the Department of Agriculture and Food's Plant Industry Division about the impact of waterwise landscaping on noxious weeds and the licensing requirements for a person treating noxious weeds.

Predator Control

Received a [presentation](#) from the Department of Natural Resources' Division of Wildlife Resources regarding the impact of predators on big game populations and the status of Utah's agreement with Colorado related to wolves.

Seven County Infrastructure Coalition

Received an [update](#) from the Seven County Infrastructure Coalition on its infrastructure development projects in rural Utah, including the status of the Uinta Basin Railway project.

Sunset Review: Lead Acid Battery Disposal

Received an [overview](#) from committee staff of [Title 19, Chapter 6, Part 6](#), which governs lead acid battery disposal and will sunset July 1, 2026, if the Legislature takes no action. Heard comments from the Department of Environmental Quality's Division of Waste Management and Radiation Control.

Sunset Review: State Weed Committee

Received an [overview](#) from committee staff of the State Weed Committee, which will sunset July 1, 2026, if the Legislature takes no action. Heard comments from the Department of Agriculture and Food's Plant Industry Division, including a recommendation to extend the committee's sunset.

Action: Opened a committee bill file to extend the sunset of the State Weed Committee by 10 years.

Sunset Review: Utah Soil Health Program

Received overviews from committee staff of the [sunset review process](#) and the [Utah Soil Health Program](#), which will sunset on July 1, 2026, if the Legislature takes no action. Heard [comments](#) from the Department of Agriculture and Food's Conservation Division.

Action: Opened a committee bill file to extend the sunset date of the Soil Health Program by 10 years.

Utah Miners Hospital

Received a [presentation](#) from the Utah Miners Hospital. In the committee's November 2024 meeting, the committee asked the hospital to consider concerns raised by the Utah Mining Association and report back to the committee. The hospital provided its [report](#), including [survey results](#).

Water Update

Heard an [update](#) from the Division of Water Resources on water conditions in the state.

Chairs: Rep. Carl R. Albrecht / Sen. Keven J. Stratton
Staff: Charley Hart (Policy Analyst) / Julie Humberstone (Managing Policy Analyst) / Patricia Owen (Senior Associate General Counsel) / Ryan C. Williams (Associate General Counsel) / Kaelie Mortensen (Administrative Assistant)

Political Subdivisions

2025 Interim Issues by Stakeholders

Heard from the Utah Special Districts Association regarding issues that special districts intend to address this year.

2025 Interim Study Items

Reviewed the proposed [study items list](#), as approved by the Legislative Management Committee.

Actions: Amended the 2025 interim study Items list to include a study item to look at counties of the first class and their duties and responsibilities relative to the municipalities and towns within those counties.

Authorized the chairs to open up to ten committee bill files.

Title 17 Recodification

Received a presentation by committee staff regarding plans to recodify [Title 17, Counties](#), this interim, with the goal of having a committee bill ready by November.

Chairs: Rep. James A. Dunnigan / Sen. Don L. Ipson
Staff: Nathan W. Brady (Policy Analyst) / RuthAnne Oakey-Frost (Senior Associate General Counsel) / Steve Schaefermeyer (Associate General Counsel) / Naomi Garrow (Administrative Assistant)

Public Utilities, Energy, and Technology

Decision on Rocky Mountain Power's General Rate Case

Heard from the Public Service Commission on its approach to the decision in the Rocky Mountain Power general rate case.

2025 Interim Study Items

Actions: Approved the 2025 interim [study items list](#).

Authorized the chairs to open committee bill files.

Introductions and Overview

Received presentations from the following agencies regarding their primary mission and expertise:

- [Office of Energy Development](#);
- [Division of Oil, Gas & Mining](#);
- [Division of Waste Management and Radiation Control](#);
- [Division of Air Quality](#);
- [School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration](#) (SITLA);
- Office of Consumer Services; and
- Public Service Commission.

Chairs: Rep. Colin W. Jack / Sen. Derrin R. Owens
Staff: Samantha Hermany (Managing Policy Analyst) / Scott Elder (Associate General Counsel) / Samantha Merrell (Administrative Assistant)

Revenue and Taxation

2025 General Session Recap

Heard from committee staff on select tax-related bills from the 2025 General Session.

Economic and Revenue Update

Received presentations from the [Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst](#), the [Department of Workforce Services](#), and the [Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute](#) on the status of Utah's state tax revenues, labor market, and economy.

Income Tax Credits

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff outlining the extension of the income tax credit review cycle from three to five years due to the passing of 2025 General Session S.B. 43, "[Income Tax Credit Review Amendments](#)."

Overview of TCJA Changes

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff on possible changes to the federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act and the potential impact on Utah.

State Tax Commission

Heard from the State Tax Commission on long-term planning issues the commission would like the committee to study this interim.

2025 Interim Study Items List

Received a presentation from committee staff on the proposed 2025 interim [study items list](#) and an interim committee [roadmap](#).

Actions: Approved the 2025 interim study items list.

Authorized the chairs to open committee bill files.

Chairs: Rep. Steve Eliason / Sen. Daniel McCay
Staff: Alex R. Janak (Managing Policy Analyst) / Chris Stitt (Policy Analyst) / Gus Harb (Associate General Counsel) / Andrea Valenti Arthur (Managing Associate General Counsel) / Victoria Firmage (Administrative Assistant Team Lead)

Rules Review and General Oversight Committee

May 22, 2025

Election Systems: Administration, Oversight, and Signature Verification

Received comments from Davis County and the Office of the Lieutenant Governor regarding elections, signature verification, and the lieutenant governor's [response](#) to 2024 audits of Utah's election systems. Reviewed policies in place to protect against conflicts of interest in the signature review process. Discussed potential improvements to statute, administrative rule, and procedure to strengthen oversight activities by members of the public and candidates.

Utah Retirement Systems: Retirement Application Processing and Backlog

Received a [presentation](#) from Utah Retirement Systems (URS) on retirement application processing. Reviewed the factors leading up to an application backlog from late 2024 to April 2025. Assessed the current status of the backlog and protocols in place by URS to prevent future backlogs from occurring.

Chairs: Rep. R. Neil Walter / Sen. Daniel McCay
Staff: Rohnin Randles (Policy Analyst) / Christopher Williams (Associate General Counsel) / Tracey Fredman (Administrative Assistant)

School Security Task Force

May 08, 2025

2025 General Session and Legislation Update

Heard an update on 2025 General Session H.B. 40, "[School Safety Amendments](#)," relevant to the School Security Task Force.

Roundtable Discussion

Discussed the School Security Task Force's responsibilities and other school safety and security issues relevant to the task force.

School Safety Center and State Security Chief Updates

Received an [update](#) from School Safety Center staff and staff from the State Security Chief's office on recent developments in their areas.

Chairs: Rep. Ryan D. Wilcox / Sen. Ann Millner
Staff: Micah Ann Wixom (Policy Analyst) / Jeff Van Hulten (Associate General Counsel) / Amy Hawkes (Administrative Assistant)

Transportation

2025 Interim Study Items

Actions: Amended and approved the 2025 interim [study items list](#). The committee added the following study items:

- Road hazards related to unsecure loads;
- Boat safety;
- Traffic light criteria;
- Statewide unlicensed driver statistics;
- Utility paint and markings;
- Local corridor preservation funding; and
- Transportation Commission composition and duties.

Authorized the chairs to open committee bill files on behalf of the committee for items related to the study item list.

Opened a committee bill file to address the composition of the Transportation Commission.

Agency Overviews

Received presentations from the [Utah Department of Transportation](#) (UDOT), the [Department of Public Safety](#) (DPS), and the [State Tax Commission](#) regarding the responsibilities and key programs of each agency.

Boating Safety

Received a [presentation](#) from the Division of Outdoor Recreation and heard comments from a constituent on adding new boating safety education requirements.

Bridge Condition

Received a [presentation](#) from UDOT on bridge conditions in the state, including funding sources and programs for bridge maintenance and replacement.

Chairs: Rep. Kay J. Christofferson / Sen. Wayne A. Harper
Staff: Rachel Brooks (Policy Analyst) / Riley Williams (Associate General Counsel) / Kurt P. Gasser (Managing Associate General Counsel) / Shay Berger (Administrative Assistant)

Committee Bill Files Opened by Legislative Committees For the 2026 General Session, as of May 23, 2025

Total number of committee bill files opened: 28

Business and Labor

- Behavior Analyst Licensing Amendments
- Consumer Protection Modifications
- Corporations Amendments
- Health Care Providers Immunity Amendments
- Office of Professional Licensure Review Amendments
- Property Rights Ombudsman Act Amendments
- Trust Business Amendments
- Utah Construction Trades Licensing Act Amendments

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 8

Economic Development and Workforce Services

- Bears Ears Visitor Center Advisory Committee Amendments
- Child Care Advisory Committee Amendments

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 2

Education

- Online Education Service Provider Funding and Oversight

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 1

Government Operations

- Credit Card Processing Fees Amendments
- Voting Equipment Prohibitions Amendments

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 2

Health and Human Services

- Health Plan Provider Directory Amendments

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 1

Judiciary

- Amendments to Interdisciplinary Parental Representation Pilot Program
- Appeal Amendments
- Joint Resolution Amending Rules of Evidence Concerning Crimes or Other Acts
- Joint Resolution Regarding Constitutional Brackets
- Juvenile Justice Changes
- Limitations on the Use of Polygraphs

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 6

Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice

- Digital Evidence Amendments
- Human Trafficking Amendments
- Law Enforcement Use of Artificial Intelligence Amendments

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 3

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment

- Soil Health Program Amendments
- State Weed Committee Amendments

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 2

Political Subdivisions

- Title 17 Recodification

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 1

Revenue and Taxation

- Tax Modifications

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 1

Transportation

- Transportation Commission Amendments

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 1