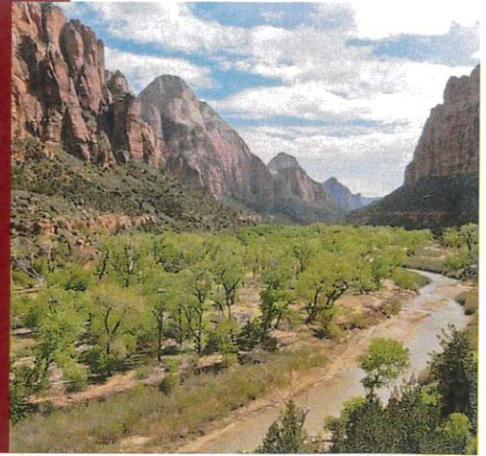


H.B. 291 Security and Land Restriction Amendments

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What The Bill Does

- **Protects Utah land, water, and infrastructure** from control by hostile foreign governments.
- **Closes loopholes** that allow restricted entities to hide ownership through subsidiaries or partial ownership.
- **Builds on existing law** passed in prior sessions as a **targeted fix**, not a new system.
- **Lowers the ownership threshold**
- **Reduces the percentage of ownership** that triggers “restricted foreign entity” status (from 51% to 25%).
- **Improves enforcement and due process**
- **DPS must notify suspected entities** and allow **30 days to provide proof** they are not restricted.
- **Clarifies accountability**
- **Strengthens coordination**
- **Requires DPS to work with the Attorney General and DFCM** when selling prohibited land interests.

How its Enforced

- Public list of restricted foreign entities maintained by DPS.
- County recorders can flag suspicious land transactions.
- Daily fines for failure to respond to DPS notice (\$500/day).
- Land must be alienated within one year if ownership is prohibited.
- Knowingly purchasing land on behalf of a restricted foreign entity remains a third-degree felony.