



Interim Highlights

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List of Committee Bills for the 2027 General Session
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Legislative Interim Meetings

Meetings were held September 16, 2026, or as noted

Business and Labor

Artificial Intelligence Learning Laboratory Report

Received a [report](#) from the Office of Artificial Intelligence Policy, including the laboratory's learning agenda, findings and outcomes, and recommendations for legislation.

Artificial Intelligence Policy Act

Received a presentation from the Department of Commerce and conducted a review of the [Artificial Intelligence Policy Act](#). Considered whether to extend or remove the repeal date on the Artificial Intelligence Policy Act or allow the act to expire.

***Action:** Recommended that the Artificial Intelligence Policy Act be renewed with a sunset and recommended that the sunset date be established for July 1, 2037.*

Boards and Commissions Annual Report Review

Reviewed the [Workers' Compensation Advisory Council](#) and the [Coal Miner Certification Panel](#) to determine whether to recommend repeal in accordance with Utah Code Subsection [67-1-2.5\(6\)\(c\)\(i\)](#).

Boards and Commissions Internal Process

Received a [presentation](#) from the Governor's Office on processes for filling vacancies and reappointments on state boards and commissions.

Draft Legislation: Health Care Services Amendments

Considered 2027 General Session draft legislation, "[Health Care Services Amendments](#)," which would amend health care statutory provisions related to surgical procedures, medical spas, cosmetic procedures, and ketamine administration.

Employment Non-Competition Clauses

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff on post-employment non-competition clauses, including approaches in other states, recent legislation limiting or prohibiting non-competition clauses, and other statutory protections. Reviewed policy options to amend existing non-competition regulations.

Healthcare Consumer Safety

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of Professional Licensure Review on licensing and consumer safety issues involving minor surgical procedures for nurse practitioners and physician assistants, medical spas, and wellness clinics.

Professional Licensing Coordination

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of Professional Licensure Review on the relationship between state law and federal requirements, national organizations, and interstate compacts in professional licensing, including recommendations for legislative action.

Chairs: Rep. A. Cory Maloy / Sen. Evan J. Vickers
Staff: Allison Cowdell (Policy Analyst) / Rohnin Randles (Policy Analyst) / Tyler Moore (Associate General Counsel) / Austin Weenig (Associate General Counsel) / Alyssa Castor (Administrative Assistant)

Economic Development and Workforce Services

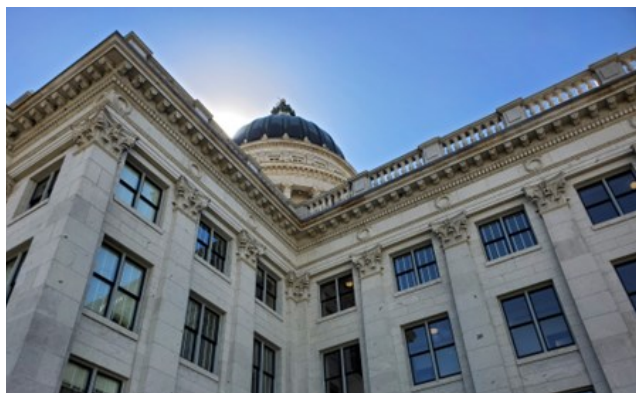
Governor's Office of Economic Development

Received a [presentation](#) from the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED) on the purpose and impact of programs within the agency, including information on recent operational realignment of GOED, an updated framework and strategic plan, and changes to increase compliance and financial accountability.

Nucleus Institute

Received a [presentation](#) and [handout](#) from the Nucleus Institute and Nucleus Fund Operations regarding:

- information on the vision and mission of the Nucleus Institute;
- targeted industries and projects the Nucleus Institute funds within those industries;
- the impact of funded projects; and
- upcoming projects.



Office of the Legislative Auditor General

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of the Legislative Auditor General regarding the audits on the [Governor's Office of Economic Development](#) (GOED) and [World Trade Center Utah](#). GOED [responded](#) to the findings of the audit. World Trade Center Utah responded to the findings of the World Trade Center Audit.

Quantum Computing

Received a [presentation](#) from GOED and the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Brigham Young University on quantum physics, the application of quantum physics, and opportunities for Utah to lead in this area, including the Utah governor's [executive order](#) to establish a "Quantum Initiative."

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

Education

Higher Education: Institutional Neutrality & Student Clubs

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff on recent institutional neutrality legislation. Received a [presentation](#) from the Utah System of Higher Education on recent actions that the Utah Board of Higher Education has taken on institutional neutrality in higher education.

Legislative Audit: South Summit School District

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of the Legislative Auditor General on [A Systemic Performance Audit of South Summit School District](#) and heard a response from South Summit School District.

Public Education: 2025-2026 Reading on Grade Level Report

Received a [presentation](#) on a recent report from the Utah State Board of Education on the percentage of K-3 students reading on grade level.

Public Education: Creating Standards and Curriculum

Heard presentations from [committee staff](#), the [State Board of Education](#), and representatives from a [school district](#) and [charter school](#) about the process of creating and adopting academic standards and instructional materials.

Public Education: Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission

Received a [presentation](#) from the State Board of Education about the Utah Professional Practices Commission (UPPAC), including the [investigation process](#). Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff about the statutes and rules governing UPPAC.

Chairs: Rep. R. Neil Walter / Sen. John D. Johnson
Staff: Finn Rose (Managing 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

September 17, 2026

Department of Environmental Quality

Received a presentation from the Department of Environmental Quality regarding efforts to maintain and assert state jurisdictional authority in air quality, water quality, and the environment.

Eisenhower Jurisdiction Study

Discussed the jurisdictional authority of the state and federal government relating to public lands. Discussed how the findings on jurisdictional authority should guide the state's efforts to assert authority in areas that affect the safety, health, and well-being of the citizens of the state.

General Federalism Issues

Heard from representatives of Utah's federal delegation and the Utah Association of Counties regarding issues at the federal level that might be of interest to the Federalism Commission.

Law Enforcement Protocol Workgroup

Discussed a draft law enforcement [protocols](#) document and the efforts of the working group to identify issues and law enforcement groups to be included in the draft protocols review process. The chairs requested that commission members review and provide any comments or questions about the draft protocols.

***Action:** Voted to adopt the draft protocols as a working draft for the commission.*

Provo Canyon Resource Management Plan

Heard from the Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office on updates to the resource management plan for Provo Canyon. Discussed threats to the watershed and to the health, safety, and welfare of the residents.

Public Lands Issues

Received a presentation from the Cardiff Canyon Owners Association and the Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands on the status and efforts to protect the Cottonwood Canyon.

Chairs: Rep. Ken Ivory / Sen. Keven J. Stratton
Staff: Nathan W. Brady (Policy Analyst) / Gus Harb (Senior Associate General Counsel) / Zoe Adams (Administrative Assistant)

Government Operations

Boards and Commissions

Received an [overview](#) from committee staff on the current review process for boards and commissions.

Received a [presentation](#) from the Governor's Office on the biennial [Executive Board Report](#). Discussed potential next steps for following up with boards and commissions that did not submit a report.

Cost of Elections

Received presentations from the [Office of the Lieutenant Governor](#), [Weber County](#), and [Salt Lake County](#) on the administrative costs of elections.

Government Records Office Report

Received a presentation from the Government Records Office on its [annual report](#), including an update on the appeals caseload and government records ombudsman program.

Legislative Audit: Oil, Gas, and Related Taxes and Incentives

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of the Legislative Auditor General on [A Performance Audit of Oil, Gas, and Related Taxes and Incentives](#). Heard responses from the Office of Energy Development, the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining, and the Utah Petroleum Association.

Chairs: Rep. Calvin Roberts / Sen. Ronald M. Winterton
Staff: Devon Schechinger (Policy Analyst) / Kirsí Jarvis (Policy Analyst) / Michael Cipriano (Associate General Counsel) / Thomas R. Vaughn (Managing Associate General Counsel) / Tracey Fredman (Administrative Assistant)

Health and Human Services

Aging Initiatives

Received an update from the Department of Health and Human Services on the Utah WISE Initiative and the development of a 10-year plan to support Utahns as they age. Received an [update](#) from the Utah Commission on Aging regarding its annual reporting responsibilities and the results of its [three-year work plan](#).

Behavioral Health Audits Capstone

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of the Legislative Auditor General regarding, "[A Capstone for System-Wide Behavioral Health Audits](#)."

Medicaid Community Engagement Implementation Update

Received a [presentation](#) from the Department of Health and Human Services on the status of implementing community engagement requirements in Utah's Medicaid program.

Meta Settlement

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of the Attorney General and the Division of Consumer Protection regarding a settlement between Meta Platforms, Inc., and participating states concerning allegations related to child safety practices on social media platforms. Discussed the terms of the settlement and Utah's participation in the agreement.

Office of Professional Licensure Review

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of Professional Licensure Review detailing the findings from its review of various healthcare professions.

Chairs: Rep. Katy Hall / Sen. Keith Grover
Staff: Lisa Sorensen (Senior Policy Analyst) / Seth Anderson (Policy Analyst) / Amy Shewan (Associate General Counsel) / Christopher Williams (Senior Associate General Counsel) / Kami Orton (Associate General Counsel) / Gabi Prior (Administrative Assistant)

Judiciary

Child Welfare Case Timelines

Received a [presentation](#) from a legislator and heard comments from the Administrative Office of the Courts regarding child welfare cases and compliance with statutory time limits for those cases.

Victim Services

Received a [presentation](#) from the Victim Services Commission and academic researchers on a recent study evaluating victim services across the state. Heard comments from a legislator about forming a legislative working group to consider implementing the study's recommendations.

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

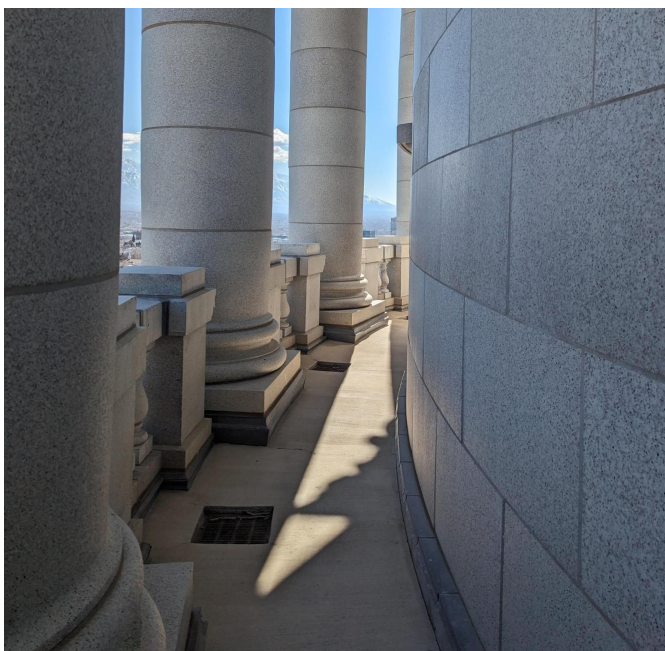
Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice

A Performance Audit of the Salt Lake City Police Department

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of the Legislative Auditor General and received a [response](#) from the Salt Lake City Police Department on [A Performance Audit of the Salt Lake City Police Department](#) regarding the department's strategic plan to improve public safety.

A Performance Audit of the Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of the Legislative Auditor General and a [response](#) from Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office on [A Performance Audit of the Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office](#) regarding the office's management of criminal caseloads.



A Performance Audit of the Salt Lake County Jail

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of the Legislative Auditor General and a [response](#) from the Salt Lake County Sheriff's Office on [A Performance Audit of the Salt Lake County Jail](#) regarding Salt Lake County's jail capacity and overcrowding releases.

A Review of Salt Lake County's Criminal Justice System

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of the Legislative Auditor General and a response from Salt Lake County Sheriff's Office, on [A Review of Salt Lake County's Criminal Justice System](#) regarding repeat criminal offenders in Salt Lake County.

Automatic License Plate Readers

Received presentations from:

- [committee staff](#) on automatic license plate readers (ALPR) legislative history;
- the [Utah Law Enforcement Legislative Committee](#) on the process law enforcement use to access and analyze ALPRs, audit processes, and ALPRs [success stories](#); and
- the Office of Data Privacy on meetings and other reviews the privacy commission is conducting on ALPRs.

Pardoning Deceased Individuals

Discussed with a legislator and the Board of Pardons and Parole whether Utah should pardon deceased individuals.

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 (Senior Associate General Counsel) / Amy Hawkes (Administrative Assistant)

Legislative Process Committee

August 27, 2026

Draft Legislation: House Rules Resolution - Amendments to House Rules

Discussed 2027 General Session draft legislation, "[House Rules Resolution - Amendments to House Rules](#)," which would modify the circumstances under which a House standing committee may consider legislation without an approved fiscal note.

Draft Legislation: Joint Rules Resolution - Changes to Joint Rules

Discussed 2027 General Session draft legislation, "[Joint Rules Resolution - Modifications to Joint Rules](#)," which would clarify terminology and modify the process related to an interim committee's sunset review.

Draft Legislation: Senate Rules Resolution - Amendments to Senate Rules

Discussed 2027 General Session draft legislation, "[Senate Rules Resolution - Amendments to Senate Rules](#)," which would provide that a call of the Senate is in order during a vote.

Joint Rules Resolution Conversion

Received a [presentation](#) from a legislator on the process of converting rules resolutions from one form to another.

Prohibited Items in Legislative Committee Meetings

Heard from committee staff on the [prohibited items in legislative committee meetings](#) and discussed language that would clarify what items would be allowed or prohibited under rule.

Quorum Exceptions

Discussed quorum exceptions when it comes to legislators serving on interim committees that meet at the same time and directed staff to add the exception to the joint rules resolution committee bill file.

Voting After Midnight on Day 45 of the General Session

Heard from committee staff regarding the current statutes on voting at midnight on the last day of the general session. Directed committee staff to include clarifying when a vote is complete in the House and Senate rules resolutions committee bill files.

Chairs: Rep. James A. Dunnigan / Sen. Lincoln Fillmore
Staff: Megan L. Bolin (Senior Policy Analyst) / Christine R. Gilbert (Deputy General Counsel) / Victoria Firmage (Administrative Assistant Team Lead)

Legislative Water Development Commission

September 17, 2026

Phragmites in the Great Salt Lake

Received a [presentation](#) on invasive phragmites water consumption, along with [research](#) evaluating the potential benefits to the Great Salt Lake from phragmites removal.

Public Systems Water Loss

Received a [presentation](#) on estimating system water loss and how to improve water loss data reliability.

Willard Peak Pond Restoration Efforts

Received a [presentation](#) regarding water quality restoration and harmful algal bloom mitigation efforts at Willard Peak Pond.

Chairs: Rep. Thomas W. Peterson / 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) / Alyssa Castor (Administrative Assistant)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment

Agricultural Burns

Received a [presentation](#) from the Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands regarding agricultural burning.

Aquaculture

Received a [presentation](#) from the Department of Agriculture and Food regarding Utah's private aquaculture industry.

Axtell Facility

Received a [presentation](#) from the Axtell Wild Horse and Burro Facility regarding the Wild Horse and Burro Program.

Beef Council Audit

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of Legislative Auditor General regarding [A Performance Audit of the Utah Beef Council](#), including the audit findings and recommendations.

Meat Donations

Heard from the Department of Agriculture and Food regarding the acceptance of certain meat products by food banks and schools.

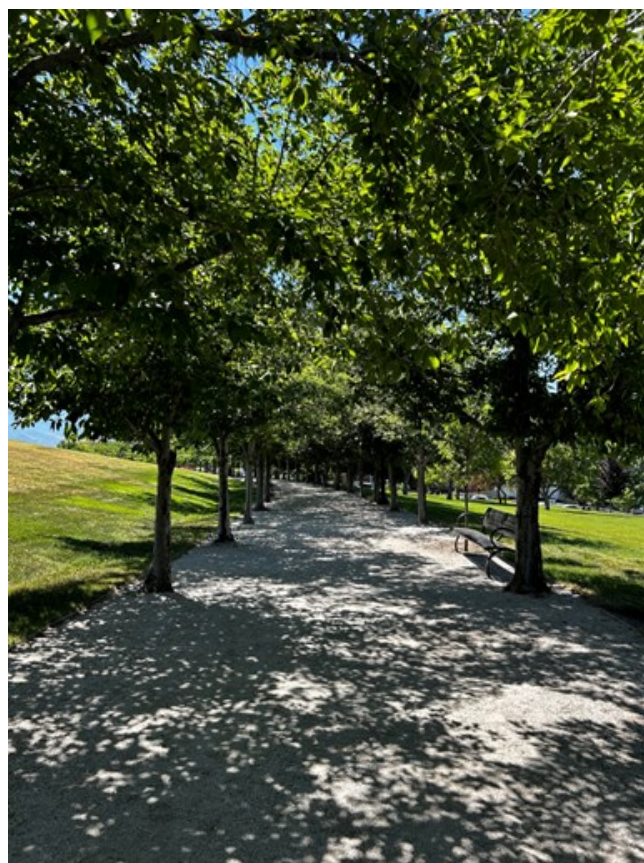
Meat Production

Received a [presentation](#) from Bar-W Beef regarding its meat processing plant and operations.

Rescue Food

Received a [presentation](#) from Rescue Food regarding food waste and a conceptual proposal to support food rescue and food reconditioning operations.

Action: Voted to open a committee bill file based on the recommendations presented by Rescue Food.



Utah Food Systems Study

Received a [presentation](#) from the Department of Agriculture and Food regarding the findings of a [study](#) examining barriers to local food systems conducted pursuant to 2025 General Session H.B. 510, "[Agriculture Amendments](#)."

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) / Alyssa Castor (Administrative Assistant)

Political Subdivisions

Annexations

Heard from a legislator and a representative from an annexation issues workgroup about recommended statutory changes relating to annexations.

Action: Voted to open a committee bill file to address the statutory changes relating to annexations.

County Recorder Standards Board Report

Received a statutorily required report from the County Recorder Standards Board and a recommendation for statutory modifications relating to the use of a boundary adjustment and subdivision plat, and creating a boundary adjustment plat.

Draft Legislation: Open and Public Meeting Modifications

Considered 2027 General Session draft legislation, "[Open and Public Meeting Modifications](#)," which would address attorney fees relating to certain actions brought under the Open and Public Meetings Act.

Municipal Services District

Heard from [committee staff](#), a [legislator](#), the [Greater Salt Lake Municipal Services District \(MSD\)](#), and Salt Lake County regarding the status of the MSD and the decision by Salt Lake County to begin the process to terminate the master inter-local agreement with the MSD.

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

Draft Legislation: Wastewater Treatment Security Amendments

Discussed 2027 General Session draft legislation, "[Wastewater Treatment Security Amendments](#)," which would address security at major publicly owned wastewater treatment facilities.

Action: Approved as a committee bill 2027 General Session draft legislation "Wastewater Treatment Security Amendments."

Public Utilities Regulation Fee Restricted Account Discussion

Received a [presentation](#) from the Division of Public Utilities on public utility regulatory funding.

Rate Recovery Discussion

Received a [presentation](#) from Rocky Mountain Power on how the company recovers rates and what shows up on a residential customer's electric bill, including energy balancing accounts and electric vehicle infrastructure charges.

State Energy Plan Review

Conducted a review of the state energy plan and received a [presentation](#) by the Office of Energy Development on the status of the state's current energy generation, consumption, and transmission.

Strategic Energy Plan Framework

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of Energy Development on implementation of the State Energy Plan framework and long-term energy planning efforts of the state.

Utah Universal Service Fund Review

Conducted a review of the Utah Universal Service Fund, which supports broadband and telecommunications infrastructure in the state, and received a [presentation](#) from the Public Service Commission on the purpose of and what distributions have been made from the fund.

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

Retirement and Independent Entities

September 17, 2026

Independent Entities Amendments

Discussed 2027 General Session draft legislation, "[Independent Entities Amendments](#)," which would make changes to:

- the definition of "independent entity";
- the duties of the Retirement and Independent Entities Interim Committee; and
- how independent entities are reviewed.

Military Installation Development Authority

Received a [presentation](#) from the Military Installation Development Authority (MIDA) as part of the committee's review of independent entities, Discussed MIDA's statutory operations, current project areas, organizational structure, how tax increment financing is used, and MIDA's public infrastructure districts.

Preliminary Contribution Rates and Updated Actuarial Calculations

Received a [presentation](#) from Utah Retirement Systems and Gabriel, Roeder, Smith and Company on the [preliminary contribution rates](#) for the next fiscal year that the Utah State Retirement Board approved for the retirement systems and plans. Discussed a recent study conducted by consulting actuaries on required contributions and other financial and actuarial issues relating to the retirement systems and plans.

Utah Beef Council

Discussed [A Performance Audit of the Utah Beef Council: A Review of Performance, Financial Controls, and Spending](#).

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of the Legislative Auditor General on the audit, including recommendations that the Utah Beef Council:

- prioritize measuring and reporting performance, by creating measures;
- report its performance to the Legislature;
- strengthen financial controls by reviewing its segregation of duties and updating its policies; and
- adopt a long-term strategic plan.

Chairs: Rep. Cheryl K. Acton / Sen. Wayne A. Harper
Staff: Adam J. Sweet (Deputy Director) / RuthAnne Oakey-Frost (Senior Associate General Counsel) / Christine R. Gilbert (Deputy General Counsel) / Alyssa Castor (Administrative Assistant)

Revenue and Taxation

Effectiveness and Utilization of Tax Credits

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff on the taxpayer tax credit, which is the most widely claimed tax credit.

General Fund Earmarks

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff on revenue set aside in the General Fund for a specified purpose rather than being put into the general pool of appropriable funds.

Municipal Incorporation Feasibility Studies

Heard from committee staff and received presentations from the [Office of the Lieutenant Governor](#) and [LRB Public Finance Advisors](#) on the process and issues regarding the feasibility studies required for municipalities to begin the incorporation process and timelines for incorporation. Heard from the State Tax Commission on the potential drawbacks of data sharing to make feasibility studies more reliable.

Action: Opened a committee bill file to address issues relating to feasibility studies for municipal incorporation.

Performance Audit of Oil, Gas, and Related Taxes and Incentives

Received a [presentation](#) from the Office of the Legislative Auditor General on [A Performance Audit of Oil, Gas, and Related Energy Taxes and Incentives](#), which focuses on Utah's gasoline supply and incentives to increase production. Heard comments from the Office of Energy Development and Utah Petroleum Association.

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

Senate Judicial Confirmation

September 11, 2026

Confirmation of Lance Talakai

Action: Recommended to the Senate the confirmation of Lance Talakai as a judge for the Utah Third District Juvenile Court.

September 14, 2026

Confirmation of Elizabeth Butler

Action: Recommended to the Senate the confirmation of Elizabeth Butler as a judge for the Utah Third District Court.

Confirmation of Matthew Bell

Action: Recommended to the Senate the confirmation of Judge Matthew Bell as a justice for the Utah Supreme Court.

Confirmation of Michael Menssen

Action: Recommended to the Senate the confirmation of Michael Menssen as a justice for the Utah Supreme Court.

Chairs: Sen. Todd Weiler
Staff: Jonathan Adams (Policy Analyst) / Lacey Johnson (Policy Analyst) / Jacqueline Carlton (Senior Associate General Counsel) / Naomi Garrow (Administrative Assistant)

Transportation

Electric mobility

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff on the provisions of 2026 General Session H.B. 381, "[Electric Mobility Device Amendments](#)," and a [presentation](#) from the Highway Safety Office on its implementation.

Non-domiciled Commercial Driver License (CDL) Program

Received an [overview](#) from committee staff on Utah's non-domiciled commercial driver license program and federal guidance.

Action: Voted to support conceptual legislation to end Utah's non-domiciled CDL program.

Novel Vehicles

Received a [presentation](#) from the State Tax Commission regarding its 2026 Novel Vehicle Report.

Action: Voted to take no legislative action on the report.

Sunset Review: Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV)

Advisory Council

Action: Favorably recommended 2027 General Session draft legislation, "[Off-highway Vehicle Modifications](#)," which would extend the sunset of the OHV Advisory Council, remove statutory caps for OHV registration fees, and modify the council's responsibilities.

Traffic Safety

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff summarizing the work and recommendations of the traffic safety working group.

Trailer Registration

Received a [presentation](#) from committee staff on commercial trailer registration.

Vehicle Registration

Received a [presentation](#) from the State Tax Commission on registration and insurance requirements for seasonal use vehicles.

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) / Gabi Prior (Administrative Assistant)

Utah Behavioral Health Legislative Policy

September 17, 2026

Behavioral Health Commission Recommendations

Received a [presentation](#) from the Behavioral Health Commission regarding its recommendations and legislative priorities for the 2027 General Session.

Chairs: Rep. Steve Eliason / Sen. Evan J. Vickers
Staff: Lisa Sorensen (Senior Policy Analyst) / Amy Shewan (Associate General Counsel) / Amy Hawkes (Administrative Assistant)

Veterans and Military Affairs Commission

September 18, 2026

Installation Resilience Program

Received a [presentation](#) from the Department of Veterans and Military Affairs regarding installation resiliency projects, including the Great Salt Lake Sentinel Landscape.

Military Support Teams

Received a [presentation](#) from the Davis School District Military Support Team regarding its efforts to support military-connected students in the state.

Veteran Suicide Prevention

Received a [presentation](#) from the Department of Veterans and Military Affairs regarding resiliency and suicide prevention.

Chairs: Rep. Val L. Peterson / Sen. Todd Weiler
Staff: Charley Hart (Policy Analyst) / Shad Larson (Associate General Counsel) / Tracey Fredman (Administrative Assistant)



Committee Bill Files Opened by Legislative Committees For the 2027 General Session, as of September 21, 2026

Total number of committee bill files opened: 25

Bills opened since the August interim meetings are in *italics

Business and Labor

- Health Professions Licensing Amendments
- Property Management Amendments

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 2

Economic Development and Workforce Services

- Large Data Center Amendments

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 1

Federalism

- Public Lands Planning Amendments

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 1

Government Operations

- *Election Deadline Amendments**
- *Ballot Measure Deadlines Amendments**
- *Protection of Voter Registration Records of At-risk Voters**

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 3

Health and Human Services

- Behavioral Health Amendments
- Skilled Nursing Facility Upper Payment Limit Amendments

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 2

Judiciary

- Amendments to Protective Orders and Stalking Injunctions

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 1

Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice

- Speedy Trial Amendments
- Law Enforcement Technology Amendments

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 2

Legislative Management Committee

- Revisor's Technical Corrections to Utah Code
- Revisor's Supplemental Corrections to Utah Code

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 2

Legislative Process Committee

- Joint Rules Resolution—Changes to Joint Rules
- Senate Rules Resolution—Amendments to Senate Rules
- House Rules Resolution—Amendments to House Rules

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 3

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment

- *Food Recovery Amendments**

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 1

Political Subdivisions

- Open and Public Meeting Modifications
- *Municipal Annexation Modifications**

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 2

Retirement and Independent Entities

- Utah Retirement Systems Amendments
- Independent Entities Amendments

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 2

Revenue and Taxation

- Tax Amendments
- Tax Revisions
- *Municipal Incorporation**

Total Number of Committee Bill Files Opened: 3