



REVISED AGENDA

JUDICIARY INTERIM COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE Wednesday, October 21, 2026 | 8:30 AM | Room 20 House Building

Members of the public may participate remotely in the meeting by visiting the committee's webpage to access the live streaming options: <https://le.utah.gov/committee/committee.jsp?year=2026&com=INTJUD>

1. Committee Business

- Call to order and approval of the minutes of the September 16, 2026, meeting

2. Protective Order Working Group Update

The committee will receive an update on the working group's efforts to amend and clarify protective orders in the related committee bill file.

- Representative Grant Miller
- Committee discussion

3. Draft Legislation: "Sexual Abuse of a Child Amendments"

The committee will consider draft legislation that amends provisions relating sexual abuse of a child.

- Senator Heidi Balderree
- Carl Hollan, Executive Director, Statewide Association of Prosecutors and Public Attorneys (SWAP)
- Committee discussion
- Public comment
- Committee action

4. Legislative Review of Sentencing Guidelines

Utah Code 75E-4-206 requires the Utah Sentencing Commission to annually submit the guidelines to the Legislature for review. The committee will receive presentations on the review process and any key changes to the guidelines.

- Jonathan Adams, Policy Analyst, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel
- Dan Strong, Director, Utah Sentencing Commission
- Committee discussion
- Committee action

5. Audit Report Presentations

The committee will receive presentations on several audits assigned to the Judiciary Interim Committee by the Legislative Audit Subcommittee.

- A Review of Judicial Independence and Accountability
 - Kade Minchey, Legislative Auditor General
 - Ryan Thelin, Senior Audit & Operations Supervisor
 - Erick Bravo, Performance Audit Supervisor
 - Committee discussion
 - Committee action
- A Performance Audit of the Utah State Courts
 - Ryan Thelin, Senior Audit & Operations Supervisor
 - Erick Bravo, Performance Audit Supervisor
 - Jordan Green, Legislative Audit Methodologist
 - Ron Gordon, State Court Administrator
 - Committee discussion
 - Committee action
- A Performance Audit of the Judicial Performance Evaluation Commission (JPEC)
 - Ryan Thelin, Senior Audit & Operations Supervisor
 - Erick Bravo, Performance Audit Supervisor



- Brendon Ressler, Lead Performance Auditor
 - Tom Ross, Commissioner, Department of Criminal Justice
 - Mary-Margaret Pingree, Executive Director, JPEC
 - Committee discussion
 - Committee action
- A Performance Audit of the Utah Judicial Conduct Commission (JCC)
 - Brian Dean, Deputy Auditor General
 - Madison Hoover, Senior Audit Supervisor
 - Alex Peterson, Executive Director, JCC
 - Committee discussion
 - Committee action

6. Other Items/Adjourn