



Fiscal Note

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Private Attorney General Doctrine
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General, Education, and Uniform School Funds

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	Ongoing	One-time	Total
Net GF/EF/USF (rev.-exp.)	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Government

UCA 36-12-13(2)(b)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not materially impact state revenue.

Revenues	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Total Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0

Enactment of this bill likely will not have a direct impact on state expenditures. To the extent that the changes proposed by this bill lead to an increase in lawsuits against the State, those lawsuits could cost the Office of the Attorney General to defend the State and the Division of Risk Management to pay opposing attorneys' fees. Should the changes result in lawsuits shifting from federal to state courts, the shifting could cost the State Judiciary for court time, but could also save the Office of the Attorney General for defense. Savings/cost for a mid-level Assistant Attorney General with support staff is currently approximately \$110 per hour. Court time costs about \$300 per hour. The Division of Risk Management has in the past paid legal costs and fees ranging from \$10,000 to more than \$1,000,000 per claim, with the mean for those going to trial being around \$230,000.

Expenditures	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Total Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0

Net All Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Local Government

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not result in direct, measurable costs for local governments.

Individuals & Businesses

UCA 36-12-13(2)(d)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not result in direct, measurable expenditures by Utah residents or businesses.

Regulatory Impact

Enactment of this legislation likely will not change the regulatory burden for Utah residents or businesses.

No performance note required for this bill
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Notes on Notes

Fiscal notes estimate the direct costs or revenues of enacting a bill. The Legislature uses them to balance the budget. They do not measure a bill's benefits or non-fiscal impacts like opportunity costs, wait times, or inconvenience. A fiscal note is not an appropriation. The Legislature decides appropriations separately.