

**APPROPRIATION FOR LAND USE PLANS**

1998 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Sponsor: Dennis H. Iverson**

AN ACT RELATING TO COUNTIES AND OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTS;  
APPROPRIATING \$175,000 TO THE OFFICE OF PLANNING AND BUDGET TO  
DISTRIBUTE TO COUNTIES AND OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AS MATCHING  
FUNDS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF LAND USE PLANS  
AND TO SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY TO CONDUCT WORKSHOPS ON LAND  
PLANNING.

This act enacts uncodified material.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

**Section 1. Intent.**

The Legislature finds that the value of property throughout the state is enhanced by appropriate land-use planning by the counties and other local governments, that revenues to the state depend to a significant extent on the value of the property generating those revenues, and that the quality of land-use planning improves with training and education. It is the intent of the Legislature in appropriating these funds to help meet the statewide need for training and education of county, local, and state officials involved in land-use planning activities to improve the quality of land-use planning.

**Section 2. Appropriation.**

(1) (a) There is appropriated from the General Fund for fiscal year 1998-99, \$175,000 to the Office of Planning and Budget.

(b) The Office of Planning and Budget shall:

(i) distribute up to \$10,000 of the appropriated funds to Southern Utah University for use by its Utah Center for Rural Life to conduct workshops on preparation of land-use plans, including protection of private property rights and other rights attached to property;

(ii) determine, in conjunction with the Utah Association of Counties, the counties and other local governments most qualified to receive the remainder of the appropriated funds to assist

in developing and implementing land-use plans, based on criteria established by the Office of Planning and Budget;

(iii) consider the recommendations of the Governor's Rural Partnership Board in determining the counties and other local governments most qualified to receive funds under Subsection (1)(b)(ii);

(iv) receive the recommendation of the Governor's Local Government Comprehensive Planning Project Steering Committee in establishing the criteria that are the basis of the determination of the counties and other local governments most qualified to receive funds under Subsection (1)(b)(ii); and

(v) distribute the remaining funds to counties and other local governments that:

(A) meet the criteria established by the Office of Planning and Budget;

(B) match the amount distributed by the Office of Planning and Budget in funds or in kind;

(C) agree to encourage county, local, and state officials involved with land-use planning to attend the workshops; and

(D) agree to review and, if necessary, revise the comprehensive general plan at least annually.

(c) In planning and presenting the workshops provided under Subsection (1)(b)(i), Southern Utah University, through its Utah Center for Rural Life, may involve county and other local government officials who are preparing or have completed a land-use plan.

(2) These appropriations are nonlapsing.