



1 terminals and the Internet.

2 [(c)] (d) The [computer terminal] electronic filing system shall also provide information  
3 to users about:

- 4 (i) the procedures of the district court;
- 5 (ii) the procedures of the small claims court;
- 6 (iii) landlord and tenant rights and responsibilities;
- 7 (iv) alternative dispute resolution;
- 8 (v) child support collection procedures;
- 9 (vi) how to collect court judgments; and
- 10 (vii) how to settle minor disputes without legal action.

11 (2) The statewide purpose of the Utah Quick Court program shall be to:

- 12 (a) minimize the costs of civil litigation;
- 13 (b) improve access to the courts; and
- 14 (c) provide for informed use of the courts and the law by pro se litigants.

15 (3) The computer terminals shall be installed at four judicial districts with locations to be  
16 selected by the policy board.

17 (4) (a) The program shall provide for public access to computer terminals for a \$10 fee  
18 with the intent that the program shall become self-sufficient.

19 (b) The fee shall be charged for the preparation of documents under Subsections (1)(a) and  
20 (1)(b), but not for information under Subsection (1)(c).

21 (c) The user fee shall cover the costs of providing the services and maintaining the  
22 computer terminals.

23 (d) Any excess monies generated by user fees shall be returned to the General Fund, not  
24 the Administrative Office of the Courts.

25 Section 2. Section **78-28-2** is amended to read:

26 **78-28-2. Creation of policy board -- Membership -- Terms -- Chair -- Quorum --**  
27 **Expenses.**

28 (1) There is created a 13 member policy board to be known as the "Utah Quick Court  
29 Policy Board" which shall provide technical assistance and practical knowledge to the  
30 Administrative Office of the Courts to:

- 31 (a) prepare the legal forms and legal documents to be generated by the [computer

1 terminals] electronic filing system;

2 (b) assure that the legal forms and legal documents are in conformity with the rules of  
3 procedure and evidence; and

4 (c) prepare relevant and accurate information on subjects listed in Subsection  
5 78-28-1[(c)](d).

6 (2) The voting membership shall consist of:

7 (a) two members of the House of Representatives to be designated by the speaker, with  
8 one member from each party;

9 (b) two members of the Senate designated by the president, with one member from each  
10 party;

11 (c) two attorneys actively practicing in domestic relations designated by the Family Law  
12 Section of the Utah State Bar;

13 (d) one attorney actively practicing in civil litigation designated by the Civil Litigation  
14 Section of the Utah State Bar;

15 (e) one court commissioner designated by the chief justice of the Utah Supreme Court;

16 (f) one district court judge designated by the chief justice of the Utah Supreme Court;

17 (g) one attorney from Utah Legal Services designated by its director;

18 (h) one attorney from Legal Aid designated by its director; and

19 (i) two persons from the Administrative Office of the Courts designated by the state court  
20 administrator.

21 (3) (a) The terms of the members shall be four years and staggered so that approximately  
22 half of the board expires every two years.

23 (b) The board shall meet as needed.

24 (4) The board shall select one of its members to serve as chair.

25 (5) A majority of the members of the board constitutes a quorum.

26 (6) (a) (i) Members who are not government employees shall receive no compensation or  
27 benefits for their services, but may receive per diem and expenses incurred in the performance of  
28 the member's official duties at the rates established by the Division of Finance under Sections  
29 63A-3-106 and 63A-3-107.

30 (ii) Members may decline to receive per diem and expenses for their service.

31 (b) (i) State government officer and employee members who do not receive salary, per

1 diem, or expenses from their agency for their service may receive per diem and expenses incurred  
2 in the performance of their official duties from the board at the rates established by the Division  
3 of Finance under Sections 63A-3-106 and 63A-3-107.

4 (ii) State government officer and employee members may decline to receive per diem and  
5 expenses for their service.

6 (c) Legislators on the committee shall receive compensation and expenses as provided by  
7 law and legislative rule.

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**Legislative Review Note**  
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A limited legal review of this bill raises no obvious constitutional or statutory concerns.

**Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel**

**Committee Note**

The Public Utilities and Technology Interim Committee recommended this bill.