

1 **INMATE PRODUCTIVITY AND WORK SKILLS**

2 1998 GENERAL SESSION

3 STATE OF UTAH

4 **Sponsor: Gerry A. Adair**

5 AN ACT RELATING TO STATE INSTITUTIONS; CREATING THE GOAL FOR THE
6 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS OF HAVING ALL ELIGIBLE INMATES
7 PRODUCTIVELY INVOLVED IN A TREATMENT, EDUCATION, OR WORK PROGRAM.

8 This act affects sections of Utah Code Annotated 1953 as follows:

9 AMENDS:

10 **64-9b-1**, as enacted by Chapter 32, Laws of Utah 1978

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

12 Section 1. Section **64-9b-1** is amended to read:

13 **64-9b-1. Legislative findings.**

14 (1) The Legislature finds that it is in the best interest of the state of Utah for the
15 department to:

16 (a) develop job opportunities to further enhance the rehabilitation of inmates of the Utah
17 state prison[-];

18 (b) establish and actively work toward the goal that all inmates, except those precluded
19 by the terms of the judgment and sentence under which they are confined, shall be productively
20 involved in a treatment, education, or work program, or a combination of these programs, as
21 appropriate; and

22 (c) submit a comprehensive management plan outlining the department's plan to meet this
23 goal to the Legislature on or before November 1 of each even-numbered year, and the plan shall
24 include:

25 (i) a cost-effective analysis of current inmate education, treatment, and work programs;
26 and

27 (ii) a study of the feasibility of expanding inmate work programs, particularly in regard

1 to programs that:

2 (A) are not capital intensive;

3 (B) do not compete with existing Utah industry; and

4 (C) are designed to increase the motivation, develop the work capabilities, and foster the
5 cooperation of inmates.

6 (2) The Legislature further finds that a proper means to accomplish this is through a liberal
7 application of this act.

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

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