

UTAH COMMISSION ON VOLUNTEERS AMENDMENT

2000 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Sponsor: Jeff Alexander

AN ACT RELATING TO COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; MODIFYING PROVISIONS GOVERNING THE UTAH COMMISSION ON VOLUNTEERS; AND MAKING TECHNICAL CHANGES.

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

AMENDS:

**9-1-803**, as last amended by Chapters 194, 242 and 243, Laws of Utah 1996

REPEALS:

**9-1-804**, as enacted by Chapter 119, Laws of Utah 1994

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

Section 1. Section **9-1-803** is amended to read:

**9-1-803. Creation -- Members -- Appointment -- Terms -- Vacancies -- Per diem and expenses.**

(1) There is ~~hereby~~ created the Utah Commission on Volunteers~~[-]~~ consisting of the following 25 members:

~~[(2) The commission shall be composed of 25 members appointed by the governor.]~~

(a) the lieutenant governor;

(b) the commissioner of higher education or the commissioner's designee;

(c) the superintendent of public instruction, or the superintendent's designee;

(d) nine members appointed by the governor as follows:

(i) an individual with expertise in the educational, training, and developmental needs of youth, particularly disadvantaged youth;

(ii) an individual with experience in promoting the involvement of older adults in service and volunteerism;

(iii) a representative of community-based agencies or community-based organizations within the state;

- (iv) a representative of local governments in the state;
- (v) a representative of local labor organizations in the state;
- (vi) a representative of business;
- (vii) an individual between the ages of 16 and 25 who is a participant or supervisor in a volunteer or service program;
- (viii) a representative of a National Service Program; and
- (ix) a representative of the corporation as a nonvoting, ex officio member; and
- (e) 13 members appointed by the governor from the following groups:
  - (i) local educators;
  - (ii) experts in the delivery of human, educational, cultural, environmental, or public safety services to communities and individuals;
  - (iii) representatives of Native American tribes;
  - (iv) out-of-school youth or other at-risk youth; and
  - (v) representatives of entities that receive assistance under the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4950 et seq.

(2) (a) In appointing persons to serve on the commission, the governor shall ensure that:

- (i) no more than 13 members of the commission are members of the same political party; and
- (ii) no more than six members of the commission are state government employees.

(b) In appointing persons to serve on the commission, the governor shall strive for balance on the commission according to race, ethnicity, age, gender, and disability characteristics.

(3) (a) Except as required by Subsection (3)(b), as terms of current commission members expire, the governor shall appoint each new member or reappointed member to a four-year term.

(b) Notwithstanding the requirements of Subsection (3)(a), the governor shall, at the time of appointment or reappointment, adjust the length of terms to ensure that the terms of commission members are staggered so that approximately half of the commission is appointed every two years.

(4) When a vacancy occurs in the membership for any reason, the replacement shall be appointed for the unexpired term.

(5) Members appointed by the governor may not serve more than two consecutive terms.

(6) (a) Members shall receive no compensation or benefits for their services, but may receive per diem and expenses incurred in the performance of the member's official duties at the rates established by the Division of Finance under Sections 63A-3-106 and 63A-3-107.

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

(7) Thirteen members of the commission are a quorum.

(8) (a) The lieutenant governor is the chair of the commission.

(b) The commission shall select a vice chair from among its members.

**Section 2. Repealer.**

This act repeals:

**Section 9-1-804, Qualifications of members.**