

HIGH-LEVEL NUCLEAR WASTE PREVENTION STUDY

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This act modifies the Environmental Quality Code to require the Department of Environmental Quality to include, in its efforts to prevent siting of a nuclear waste facility within the state, a study of means of economic development on Native American reservation lands within the state, and provide a plan based on this study.

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

ENACTS:

19-3-319, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section **19-3-319** is enacted to read:

19-3-319. Efforts to prevent siting of any nuclear waste facility to include economic development study regarding Native American reservation lands within the state.

(1) It is the intent of the Legislature that the department, in its efforts to prevent the siting of a nuclear waste facility within the exterior borders of the state, include in its work the study under Subsection (2) and the report under Subsection (3).

(2) It is the intent of the Legislature that the Department of Environmental Quality, in coordination with the office of the governor, and in cooperation with the Departments of Community and Economic Development, Human Services, Health, Workforce Services, Agriculture and Food, Natural Resources, and Transportation, the state Office of Education, and the Board of Regents:

(a) study the needs and requirements for economic development on the Native American reservations within the state; and

(b) prepare, on or before November 30, 2001, a long-term strategic plan for economic development on the reservations.

(3) It is the intent of the Legislature that this plan, prepared under Subsection (2)(b), shall be distributed to the governor and the members of the Legislature on or before December 31, 2001.

