

1                                   **APPROPRIATION FOR SEXUAL VIOLENCE**

2                                   **VICTIM ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS**

3                                   2002 GENERAL SESSION

4                                   STATE OF UTAH

5                                   **Sponsor: Terry R. Spencer**

6   **This act appropriates \$100,000, as an ongoing appropriation, from the General Fund for**  
7   **fiscal year 2002-03, to the Utah Criminal Justice Commission, for sexual violence victim**  
8   **assistance programs. This act takes effect July 1, 2002.**

9   This act enacts uncodified material.

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

11           Section 1. **Intent statement.**

12           It is the intent of the Legislature in appropriating these funds, to render some assistance  
13 with respect to the following concerns:

14           (1) Sexual violence is a reprehensible crime with dreadful, often long-lasting consequences  
15 to victims.

16           (2) Sexual violence also has adverse effects on family members of the victim and on the  
17 community as a whole.

18           (3) Sexual violence continues to constitute a serious crime problem in the state of Utah.

19           (4) Utah's rape rate is higher than the national rate.

20           Section 2. **Appropriation.**

21           (1) Subject to future budget constraints, there is appropriated, as an ongoing appropriation,  
22 from the General Fund, \$100,000 for fiscal year 2002-03, to the Utah Criminal Justice  
23 Commission, for sexual violence victim assistance programs.

24           (2) It is the intent of the Legislature that the funds be disseminated by the Utah Criminal  
25 Justice Commission through grants to one or more nonprofit rape recovery centers, to assist  
26 women and children who have been victimized by sexual violence.

27           (3) The money appropriated in Subsection (1) is nonlapsing.



28           Section 3. **Effective date.**  
29           This act takes effect July 1, 2002.

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**Legislative Review Note**  
**as of 10-10-01 4:04 PM**

A limited legal review of this legislation raises no obvious constitutional or statutory concerns.

**Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel**

**Committee Note**

The Health and Human Services Interim Committee recommended this bill.