1	CONTROL OF WOLF POPULATION
2	2003 GENERAL SESSION
3	STATE OF UTAH
4	Sponsor: Michael R. Styler
5	This act modifies the Wildlife Resources Code to allow wolves to be transplanted if
6	certain conditions are met.
7	This act affects sections of Utah Code Annotated 1953 as follows:
8	AMENDS:
9	23-14-21, as enacted by Chapter 154, Laws of Utah 1998
10	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
11	Section 1. Section 23-14-21 is amended to read:
12	23-14-21. Transplants of big game, turkeys, wolves, or sensitive species.
13	(1) The division may transplant big game, turkeys, wolves, or sensitive species only in
14	accordance with:
15	(a) a list of sites for the transplant of a particular species that is prepared and adopted in
16	accordance with Subsections (2) through (5);
17	(b) a species management plan, such as a deer or elk management plan adopted under
18	Section 23-16-7 or a recovery plan for a threatened or endangered species, provided that:
19	(i) the plan identifies sites for the transplant of the species or the lands or waters the
20	species are expected to occupy; and
21	(ii) the public has had an opportunity to comment and make recommendations on the
22	plan; ĥ [f] or []] ĥ
23	(c) a legal agreement between the state and a tribal government that identifies potential
24	transplants[.] ; ĥ [or] AND ĥ
25	(d) the Endangered Species Act of 1973, 16 U.S.C. Sec. 1531 et seq.
26	(2) The division shall:
27	(a) consult with the landowner in determining the suitability of a site for the transplant

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28	of a species;
29	(b) prepare a list of proposed sites for the transplant of species;
30	(c) provide notification of proposed sites for the transplant of species to:
31	(i) local government officials having jurisdiction over areas that may be affected by a
32	transplant; and
33	(ii) the Resource Development Coordinating Committee created in Section 63-28a-2.
34	(3) After receiving comments from local government officials and the Resource
35	Development Coordinating Committee, the division shall submit the list of proposed transplant
36	sites, or a revised list, to regional advisory councils for regions that may be affected by the
37	transplants of species.
38	(4) Each regional advisory council reviewing a list of proposed sites for the transplant
39	of species may submit recommendations to the Wildlife Board.
40	(5) The Wildlife Board shall approve, modify, or reject each proposal for the transplant
41	of a species.
42	(6) Each list of proposed transplant sites approved by the Wildlife Board shall have a
43	termination date after which a transplant may not occur.

Legislative Review Note as of 1-29-03 2:46 PM

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

Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel

State Impact

Provisions of this bill can be handled within existing budgets.

Individual and Business Impact

No fiscal impact.

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