

1 **RESOLUTION REQUESTING STATE**
2 **AGENCIES TO KEEP LEGISLATORS**
3 **INFORMED**

4 2003 GENERAL SESSION

5 STATE OF UTAH

6 **Sponsor: David L. Hogue**

7 **This joint resolution of the Legislature requests that all state agencies notify legislators of**
8 **any agency-related events impacting their constituents and taking place within their**
9 **districts.**

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

11 WHEREAS, frequently citizens of the state contact their legislators to find out which
12 state agency to contact to resolve a concern or to discuss state laws or issues;

13 WHEREAS, legislators and state agencies often work together to help citizens to get
14 the information they need or to find the appropriate agency to contact;

15 WHEREAS, while state agencies and legislators may not always agree on how a
16 particular issue should be resolved, information sharing and coordination between the two
17 groups leads to a better-served constituency;

18 WHEREAS, state agencies sponsoring events within a legislative district such as public
19 meetings or the opening of a new state facility should provide information on the event to any
20 legislators who represent the district in which the event occurs;

21 WHEREAS, by keeping legislators informed, state agencies are ensuring that those who
22 have been elected to represent the people that the agency is impacting have the opportunity to
23 help their constituents better understand government processes and how they can meet the
24 needs of citizens; and

25 WHEREAS, the more that state agencies keep legislators and citizens informed about
26 state agency services, the less misunderstandings agencies will have to resolve:

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah



28 urges state agencies to notify legislators of any agency-related events impacting their
29 constituents and taking place within their districts.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to each department
31 of state government.

Legislative Review Note
as of 1-20-03 8:47 AM

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

Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel

Fiscal Note**Resolution Requesting State Agencies to Keep Legislators Informed** 21-Jan-03**Bill Number HJR002**8:28 AM

State Impact

Provisions of this resolution can be implemented within existing budgets.

Individual and Business Impact

No fiscal impact.

Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst