

DESIGNATION OF COMMEMORATIVE DAYS

2004 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Sponsor: Don E. Bush

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill creates a commemorative day for Utah men and women serving in the armed forces around the world, and adds Utah to the states commemorating a POW/MIA Recognition Day.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ designates the third Monday in May as Yellow Ribbon Day;
- ▶ designates the third Friday in September as POW/MIA Recognition Day; and
- ▶ gives responsibility to the Division of Veterans Affairs to coordinate activities and

promotion for Yellow Ribbon Day and POW/MIA Recognition Day.

Monies Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

63-13-5.6, as enacted by Chapter 174, Laws of Utah 2001

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

Section 1. Section **63-13-5.6** is amended to read:

63-13-5.6. Commemorative days.

(1) The following days shall be commemorated yearly [~~on the designated calendar date~~]:

~~[(1)]~~ (a) Bill of Rights Day, on December 15; ~~[and]~~

~~[(2)]~~ (b) Constitution Day, on September 17~~[-]~~;

(c) Yellow Ribbon Day, on the third Monday in May, in honor of men and women who are serving or have served in the U.S. armed forces around the world in defense of freedom; and

(d) POW/MIA Recognition Day, on the third Friday in September.

(2) The Division of Veterans Affairs shall coordinate activities, special programs, and promotional information to heighten public awareness and involvement relating to Subsections (1)(c) and (d).