

1                                   **INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN**

2                                   2005 GENERAL SESSION

3                                   STATE OF UTAH

4                                   **Sponsor: Tim M. Cosgrove**

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6 **LONG TITLE**

7 **General Description:**

8               This bill describes the state attorney general's participation in multijurisdictional and  
9 multidisciplinary work to prevent and prosecute Internet sexual crimes against children.  
10 This bill also authorizes the attorney general to provide Internet educational programs  
11 to parents, educators, and others involved with children to promote awareness of and  
12 prevention of Internet crimes against children.

13 **Highlighted Provisions:**

14               This bill:

- 15               ▶ provides that the attorney general is participating in the Internet Crimes against  
16 Children Task Force, which is a statewide multiagency task force that investigates,  
17 prevents, and prosecutes Internet sexual exploitation offenses against children; and
- 18               ▶ authorizes the attorney general, to the extent legislative funding is provided, to  
19 prepare and present appropriate programs and informational materials to children,  
20 parents, educators, school resource officers, parent-teacher organizations, and  
21 libraries help children use the Internet safely and to help adults be aware of Internet  
22 risks to children.

23 **Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

24               None

25 **Other Special Clauses:**

26               None

27 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**



28 ENACTS:

29 **67-5-19**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

32 Section 1. Section **67-5-19** is enacted to read:

33 **67-5-19. Internet crimes against children -- Education programs.**

34 (1) (a) The attorney general may assist in efforts to prevent and prosecute Internet  
35 crimes against children, including working with other agencies of state and local government.

36 (b) Under Subsection (1)(a), the attorney general may administer the Internet Crimes  
37 Against Children Task Force, which is a statewide multidisciplinary and multijurisdictional  
38 task force that investigates, prevents, and prosecutes sexual exploitation offenses against  
39 children by offenders who use the Internet, online communications systems, or other computer  
40 technology.

41 (2) (a) As part of the attorney general's participation in this task force, the attorney  
42 general shall ~~it~~ → [provide] make available ← ~~it~~ , to the extent legislative funding is available,  
42a statewide training and  
43 informational materials regarding Internet safety for children that focuses on prevention,  
44 reporting, and assistance regarding Internet crimes against children.

45 (b) The training and information shall include programs and information specifically  
46 designed for:

47 (i) children, which shall include classroom presentations and informative leaflets or  
48 other printed material; and

49 (ii) parents, guardians, educators, school resource officers, parent-teacher  
50 organizations, and libraries, which shall include Internet safety, technological protection  
51 measures, and effective supervision and review of children's use of the Internet, including  
52 locating and assessing sites children have had contact with.

53 (c) As possible, the attorney general shall direct that the task force work with state and  
54 local agencies that provide information and programs to prevent and prosecute Internet crimes  
55 against children to ensure the most effective use of resources.

**Legislative Review Note**

as of 2-4-05 4:10 PM

Based on a limited legal review, this legislation has not been determined to have a high probability of being held unconstitutional.

**Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel**

**State Impact**

The Attorney General will require an appropriation of \$59,900 in ongoing General Funds beginning FY 2006 to implement provisions of this bill.

	<u>FY 2006</u> <u>Approp.</u>	<u>FY 2007</u> <u>Approp.</u>	<u>FY 2006</u> <u>Revenue</u>	<u>FY 2007</u> <u>Revenue</u>
General Fund	\$59,900	\$59,900	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$59,900</b>	<b>\$59,900</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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**Individual and Business Impact**

No significant fiscal impact.

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