

**EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY TASK FORCE**

2005 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Sponsor: Eric K. Hutchings**

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill creates the Education Technology Task Force.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ authorizes a legislative task force to study the use of technology in schools;
- ▶ establishes task force membership, duties, rules, compensation, and staff support;

and

- ▶ requires a report to the Education Interim Committee.

**Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

This bill appropriates:

- ▶ \$14,400 from the General Fund for fiscal year 2004-05 only, to fund the task force.

**Other Special Clauses:**

This bill is repealed on November 30, 2005.

**Uncodified Material Affected:**

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

Section 1. **Education Technology Task Force -- Creation -- Membership --**

**Quorum -- Compensation -- Staff.**

(1) There is created the Education Technology Task Force consisting of the following

14 members:



(a) five members of the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate, no more than three of whom may be from the same political party; and

(b) seven members of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, no more than four of whom may be from the same political party.

(2) (a) The president of the Senate shall designate a member of the Senate appointed under Subsection (1)(a) as a cochair of the task force.

(b) The speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate a member of the House of Representatives appointed under Subsection (1)(b) as a cochair of the task force.

(3) In conducting its business, the task force shall comply with the rules of legislative interim committees.

(4) Salaries and expenses of the members of the task force shall be paid in accordance with Section 36-2-2 and Legislative Joint Rule 15.03.

(5) The Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel shall provide staff support to the task force.

## **Section 2. Duties -- Interim report.**

(1) The task force shall, in consultation with persons having education and technology expertise, review and make recommendations on the following issues:

(a) methods of using technology to advance kindergarten through third grade literacy;

(b) the use of technology to engage families and communities in the schools;

(c) the integration of technology with curriculum in the classroom;

(d) recommendations on education technology funding options; and

(e) recommendations on criteria for the state and school districts to evaluate education technology programs.

(2) A final report, including any proposed legislation, shall be presented to the Education Interim Committee before November 30, 2005.

## **Section 3. Appropriation.**

There is appropriated from the General Fund for fiscal year 2004-05 only:

(1) \$6,000 to the Senate to pay for the compensation and expenses of senators on the task force; and

(2) \$8,400 to the House of Representatives to pay for the compensation and expenses of representatives on the task force.

59           Section 4. **Repeal date.**  
60           This bill is repealed on November 30, 2005.

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**Legislative Review Note**  
**as of 2-3-05 3:22 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**

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**Fiscal Note****Education Technology Task Force***15-Feb-05***Bill Number: HB0373***11:12 AM*

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**State Impact**

This bill appropriates \$14,400 from the General Fund in FY 2005. The funds will be distributed \$6,000 to the Senate and \$8,400 to the House of Representatives.

	<u>FY 2005</u>	<u>FY 2006</u>	<u>FY 2007</u>	<u>FY 2005</u>	<u>FY 2006</u>	<u>FY 2007</u>
	<u>Approp.</u>	<u>Approp.</u>	<u>Approp.</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Revenue</u>
General Fund	\$14,400	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$14,400</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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**Individual and Business Impact**

No fiscal impact.

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**Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst**