

1 **REAUTHORIZATION OF ENERGY POLICY**

2 **TASK FORCE**

3 2005 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Sponsor: Dan R. Eastman**

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7 **LONG TITLE**

8 **General Description:**

9 This bill reauthorizes the Energy Policy Task Force.

10 **Highlighted Provisions:**

11 This bill:

- 12 ▶ reauthorizes the Energy Policy Task Force for two years;
- 13 ▶ modifies study items;
- 14 ▶ makes technical changes; and
- 15 ▶ provides a repeal date for the task force.

16 **Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

17 None

18 **Other Special Clauses:**

19 None

20 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

21 **AMENDS:**

22 **63-55b-154**, as last amended by Chapter 205, Laws of Utah 2003

23 **ENACTS:**

24 **54-7-12.4**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

27 Section 1. Section **54-7-12.4** is enacted to read:



28 **54-7-12.4. Energy Policy Task Force -- Creation -- Membership -- Interim rules**
29 **followed -- Compensation -- Staff.**

30 (1) (a) There is created the Energy Policy Task Force consisting of the following 12
31 members:

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

34 (ii) seven members of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the
35 House of Representatives, no more than five of whom may be from the same political party.

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

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

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

42 (d) The task force may meet as often as twice a month, if the chairs determine that the
43 meetings are needed.

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

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

48 (2) The task force shall:

49 (a) study the energy needs of the state;

50 (b) monitor federal and other states' efforts to address energy needs;

51 (c) study potential Utah, federal, and other states':

52 (i) conservation efforts;

53 (ii) demand side management activities;

54 (iii) activities related to the efficient use of energy;

55 (iv) activities related to use of renewable energy resources; and

56 (v) barriers that public utilities face in implementing:

57 (A) conservation activities;

58 (B) demand side management activities;

- 59 (C) energy efficiency activities; and
- 60 (D) renewable energy activities;
- 61 (d) study potential ways the state could develop, facilitate, or promote generation,
- 62 exploration, or transportation of new energy to serve the needs of the state; and
- 63 (e) make recommendations to the Legislature regarding what legislation, if any, is
- 64 needed to ensure that the energy needs of the state are met.
- 65 (3) In addition to the assistance of the commission under Subsection (5), the task force
- 66 may request assistance from public and private resources as part of its activities.
- 67 (4) The task force shall report at least annually to the Public Utilities and Technology
- 68 Interim Committee.
- 69 (5) To assist the task force in the task force's duties under this section, the commission
- 70 shall, as directed by the task force, work with the task force including providing the task force
- 71 with reports.
- 72 Section 2. Section **63-55b-154** is amended to read:
- 73 **63-55b-154. Repeal dates -- Title 54.**
- 74 Section [~~54-7-12.6~~] 54-7-12.4 is repealed November 30, [~~2004~~] 2006.

Legislative Review Note
as of 12-8-04 8:54 AM

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

Legislative Committee Note
as of 12-09-04 8:49 AM

The Energy Policy Task Force recommended this bill.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Sen. Dan R. Eastman
FROM: John E. Massey, Legislative Fiscal Analyst
DATE: January 17, 2005 (12:32 pm)
SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for S.B. 28

Please respond within 24 hours.

Please be advised that the attached fiscal note for S.B. 28 - 'Reauthorization of Energy Policy Task Force' will be printed and released 24 hours after the date and time noted above.

If you have any questions on this fiscal note, please contact my office within 24 hours.

To release this bill prior to 1/18/2005 at 12:32:11 PM, please use the 'reply' feature on the electronic notification you received, e-mail Debbie Benson at dbenson@utah.gov, call her at 538-1034, or initial this memorandum and return it to our office.

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State Impact

It estimated to cost \$68,400 from the General Fund in FY 2005 to enact provisions of this bill. Those funds will be distributed \$28,500 to the Senate and \$39,900 to the House of Representatives.

	<u>FY 2005</u> <u>Approp.</u>	<u>FY 2006</u> <u>Approp.</u>	<u>FY 2005</u> <u>Revenue</u>	<u>FY 2006</u> <u>Revenue</u>
General Fund	\$68,400	\$0	\$0	\$0
	<u>\$68,400</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

Individual and Business Impact

No fiscal impact.

Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst