

1 **WATER ISSUES TASK FORCE**

2 2006 GENERAL SESSION

3 STATE OF UTAH

4 **Chief Sponsor: David Ure**

5 Senate Sponsor: Peter C. Knudson

7 **LONG TITLE**

8 **General Description:**

9 This bill creates the Water Issues Task Force.

10 **Highlighted Provisions:**

11 This bill:

- 12 ▶ creates the Water Issues Task Force;
- 13 ▶ provides for membership of the task force and compensation for members;
- 14 ▶ specifies duties and responsibilities of the task force; and
- 15 ▶ specifies issues that the task force will review.

16 **Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

17 This bill appropriates:

- 18 ▶ \$11,400 to the Senate; and
- 19 ▶ \$18,240 to the House of Representatives.

20 **Other Special Clauses:**

21 This bill is repealed on November 30, 2006.

22 **Uncodified Material Affected:**

23 ENACTS UNCODIFIED MATERIAL

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

26 Section 1. **Water Issues Task Force -- Creation -- Membership -- Interim rules**
27 **followed -- Compensation -- Staff.**

28 (1) There is created the Water Issues Task Force consisting of the following members:

29 (a) five members of the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate, no more than

30 four of whom may be from the same political party; and

31 (b) eight members of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the
32 House of Representatives, no more than six of whom may be from the same political party.

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

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

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

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

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

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

44 (1) The task force shall review and may make recommendations on:

45 (a) instream flow;

46 (b) water conservation;

47 (c) issues relating to financing water resource development; and

48 (d) any other issue that affects the state's development or management of water.

49 (2) The task force shall make a final report, including any proposed legislation, to the
50 Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Interim Committee before November 30,
51 2006.

52 **Section 3. Appropriation.**

53 There is appropriated from the General Fund for fiscal year 2005-06 only:

54 (1) \$11,400 to the Senate to pay for the compensation and expenses of senators on the
55 task force; and

56 (2) \$18,240 to the House of Representatives to pay for the compensation and expenses
57 of representatives on the task force.

58 Section 4. **Repeal date.**

59 This bill is repealed on November 30, 2006.