

**OBSERVING JUNETEENTH DAY BY THE
STATE**

2006 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Neil A. Hansen

Senate Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill modifies commemorative days observed in Utah.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- adds as an annual commemorative day observed in Utah, Juneteenth Independence

Day, on the third Saturday in June in honor of the day freedom was proclaimed to
all slaves in the South; and

- makes technical changes.

Monies Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

63-13-5.6, as last amended by Chapters 231 and 355, Laws of Utah 2004

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:
- (a) Bill of Rights Day, on December 15;
 - (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[.];
 - (e) Indigenous People Day, the Monday immediately preceding Thanksgiving[.]; and
 - (f) Juneteenth Independence Day, on the third Saturday in June, in honor of the day freedom was proclaimed to all slaves in the South by Union General Granger, on June 19, 1865 in Galveston, Texas.
- (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).
- (3) The month of November shall be commemorated yearly as American Indian Heritage Month.

Legislative Review Note
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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

Fiscal Note
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State Impact

No fiscal impact.

Individual and Business Impact

No fiscal impact.

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