

1 **STATEMENT UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY**

2 2006 GENERAL SESSION

3 STATE OF UTAH

4 **Chief Sponsor: Scott D. McCoy**

5 House Sponsor: _____

7 **LONG TITLE**

8 **General Description:**

9 This bill establishes that documents may be self authenticated by affixing one's
10 signature to the document under penalty of perjury.

11 **Highlighted Provisions:**

12 This bill:

13 ▶ allows a person to authenticate documents by attesting that the document is true and
14 correct under penalty of perjury.

15 **Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

16 None

17 **Other Special Clauses:**

18 None

19 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

20 ENACTS:

21 **46-5-1**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

24 Section 1. Section **46-5-1** is enacted to read:

25 **46-5-1. Self-authentication of documents.**

26 If the law requires or permits a sworn statement, affidavit, or similar legal document,
27 an individual may, with like force and effect, provide an unsworn written document, subscribed



28 under penalty of perjury and dated, in substantially the following form:

29 (1) If executed outside the state:

30 "I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the
31 State of Utah that the foregoing is true and correct.

32 Executed on (date).

33 (Signature)".

34 (2) If executed within the state:

35 "I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true
36 and correct.

37 Executed on (date).

38 (Signature)".

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

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State Impact

Should this bill result in decreased demand for the services of notaries public, it may also result in decreased collection of notary license fees by the Office of the Lieutenant Governor.

Individual and Business Impact

By creating a substitute for notaries public, this bill may result in decreased demand for notary services.

Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst