

**CLASS SIZE REDUCTION IN GRADES  
KINDERGARTEN THROUGH THREE**

2007 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Karen W. Morgan**

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill provides a class size cap in kindergarten through the third grade.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ provides a class size cap in kindergarten through the third grade; and
- ▶ requires the Legislature to provide for an annual adjustment in the appropriation for class size reduction.

**Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

This bill takes effect on July 1, 2007.

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

ENACTS:

**53A-17a-124.8**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section **53A-17a-124.8** is enacted to read:

**53A-17a-124.8.** Class size restrictions -- K-3.



28           (1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), the state's public schools may not have a  
29 class size in kindergarten through the third grade that exceeds 20 students.

30           (2) Notwithstanding Subsection (1), a public school may have a class size in  
31 kindergarten through the third grade that exceeds 20 students, but does not exceed 22 students  
32 in kindergarten through the third grade if that school has no more than two classes in each  
33 grade for kindergarten through the third grade.

34           (3) The Legislature shall provide for an annual adjustment in the appropriation for  
35 class size reduction authorized under Section 53A-17a-124.5 to meet the requirements under  
36 this section.

37           Section 2. **Effective date.**

38           This bill takes effect on July 1, 2007.

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**Legislative Review Note**  
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**Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel**

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**Fiscal Note**

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**State Impact**

Enactment of this bill is estimated to require an on-going appropriation of \$45,400,300 from the Uniform School Fund beginning in FY 2008.

	<u>FY 2007</u> <u>Approp.</u>	<u>FY 2008</u> <u>Approp.</u>	<u>FY 2009</u> <u>Approp.</u>	<u>FY 2007</u> <u>Revenue</u>	<u>FY 2008</u> <u>Revenue</u>	<u>FY 2009</u> <u>Revenue</u>
Uniform School Fund	\$0	\$45,400,300	\$45,400,300	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$45,400,300</b>	<b>\$45,400,300</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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**Individual, Business and/or Local Impact**

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs and/or benefits for individuals and businesses. Local districts may need to increase the total number of classrooms. Local districts cover capital cost with minimal state contribution.

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