

Representative Kenneth W. Sumsion proposes the following substitute bill:

1 **STUDENTS QUALIFYING FOR SERVICES**

2 **FOR DEAF**

3 2007 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Chief Sponsor: Kenneth W. Sumsion**

6 Senate Sponsor: _____

8 **LONG TITLE**

9 **General Description:**

10 This bill changes the definition of those eligible for public education services for the
11 deaf.

12 **Highlighted Provisions:**

13 This bill:

14 ▶ changes the definition of those eligible for public education services for the deaf;

15 and

16 ▶ makes technical changes

17 **Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

18 None

19 **Other Special Clauses:**

20 None

21 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

22 AMENDS:

23 **53A-25-103**, as enacted by Chapter 2, Laws of Utah 1988

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



26 Section 1. Section **53A-25-103** is amended to read:

27 **53A-25-103. Purposes -- Qualifications of pupils.**

28 (1) The school shall provide a practical education for the deaf and hard of hearing, who
29 are under ~~[21]~~ 22 years of age and otherwise physically and mentally able to profit from
30 instruction, to instruct them so that they may become self-supporting and useful citizens.

31 ~~[(2) Individuals over age 21 who are]~~

32 (2) The State Board of Education may allow a person to attend the school if:

33 (a) the person has an inability to speak; or

34 (b) the person is 22 years of age or older and capable of receiving beneficial
35 instruction, but because ~~[of deafness or]~~ the person is deaf, hard of hearing, or has an inability
36 to speak ~~[are]~~, is incapable of receiving adequate instruction in other public schools~~[- may, in~~
37 ~~the discretion of the board of trustees, be admitted to the school].~~

38 (3) ~~[Residents]~~ Qualifying residents of the state are entitled to the benefits of the
39 school free of expense.

40 (4) The ~~[board of trustees]~~ State Board of Education shall establish ~~[policies]~~ rules
41 regarding the acceptance of nonresidents.

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Fiscal Note

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State Impact

Enactment of this bill will require an estimated on-going appropriation of \$350,000 from the Uniform School Fund beginning in FY 2008 for the Utah Schools for the Deaf and Blind, due to an expected increase in the number of students eligible for services.

	<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	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

Individual, Business and/or Local Impact

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs and/or benefits for businesses. Qualified individuals may benefit from increased services. Local districts may be impacted by adding a new group of students eligible for services.