

**BENEFITS AND INSURANCE OF  
CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS**

2007 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Michael E. Noel**

Senate Sponsor: Margaret Dayton

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill modifies state officer compensation to extend postretirement health insurance coverage to certain state constitutional offices.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ provides that a lieutenant governor, attorney general, state auditor, or state treasurer that retires after July 1, 2007, may apply to receive the same postretirement health insurance benefits provided for governors and legislators and their surviving spouses; and

- ▶ makes technical changes.

**Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**67-22-1**, as last amended by Chapter 283, Laws of Utah 2006

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



28 Section 1. Section **67-22-1** is amended to read:

29 **67-22-1. Compensation -- Constitutional offices.**

30 (1) The Legislature fixes salaries for the constitutional offices as follows:

31 (a) governor: \$104,100;

32 (b) lieutenant governor: 95% of the governor's salary  
33 beginning July 1, 2006;

34 (c) attorney general: 95% of the governor's salary;

35 (d) state auditor: \$83,500; and

36 (e) state treasurer: \$81,000.

37 (2) The Legislature fixes benefits for the constitutional offices as follows:

38 (a) Governor:

39 (i) a vehicle for official and personal use;

40 (ii) housing;

41 (iii) household and security staff;

42 (iv) household expenses;

43 (v) retirement benefits as provided in Title 49;

44 (vi) health insurance;

45 (vii) dental insurance;

46 (viii) basic life insurance;

47 (ix) workers' compensation;

48 (x) required employer contribution to Social Security;

49 (xi) long-term disability income insurance; and

50 (xii) the same additional state paid life insurance available to other noncareer service  
51 employees.

52 (b) Lieutenant governor, attorney general, state auditor, and state treasurer:

53 (i) a vehicle for official and personal use;

54 (ii) the option of participating in a state retirement system established by Title 49,

55 Chapter 12, Public Employees' Contributory Retirement Act, or Chapter 13, Public Employees'

56 Noncontributory Retirement Act, or in a deferred compensation plan administered by the State

57 Retirement Office, in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and its accompanying rules

58 and regulations;

- 59 (iii) health insurance;
- 60 (iv) dental insurance;
- 61 (v) basic life insurance;
- 62 (vi) workers' compensation;
- 63 (vii) required employer contribution to Social Security;
- 64 (viii) long-term disability income insurance; [~~and~~]
- 65 (ix) the same additional state paid life insurance available to other noncareer service
- 66 employees[-]; and
- 67 (x) for a lieutenant governor, attorney general, state auditor, and state treasurer that
- 68 retires after July 1, 2007, the same benefits provided for governors and legislators and their
- 69 surviving spouses under Section 49-20-404.
- 70 (c) Each constitutional office shall pay the cost of the additional state-paid life
- 71 insurance for its constitutional officer from its existing budget.

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**H.B. 294 - Benefits and Insurance of Constitutional Officers**

**Fiscal Note**

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**State Impact**

Enactment of this bill will not require additional appropriations. As the constitutional officers referred to in the bill retire, their agencies will need to cover annual costs for providing post-retirement benefits. These costs range between \$500 and \$9,000 per individual and are expected to increase 8 to 12 percent per year due to health care cost inflation.

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

If this bill is enacted, retired individuals who have held the designated elected offices will be eligible for post-retirement health insurance coverage.

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