

Senator Dennis E. Stowell proposes the following substitute bill:

EXEMPTION FROM FISHING LICENSE

2007 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Dennis E. Stowell

House Sponsor: Fred R. Hunsaker

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill authorizes residents younger than 14 years old to fish without a license during a youth organization activity.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ authorizes residents younger than 14 years old to fish during a youth organization activity without a fishing license if the organization receives proper documentation;
- ▶ requires the adult leader to instruct the youth members on fishing laws;
- ▶ requires the Division of Wildlife Resources to provide educational materials on fishing laws; and
- ▶ authorizes the Division of Wildlife Resources to make rules to implement this section.

Monies Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:



26 23-19-14.5, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

29 Section 1. Section 23-19-14.5 is enacted to read:

30 **23-19-14.5. Persons participating in youth organization activity authorized to fish**
31 **without license.**

32 (1) As used in this section, "youth organization" means:

33 (a) the Boy Scouts of America;

34 (b) the Girls Scouts of the USA; or

35 (c) a nonprofit corporation, as defined in Section 16-6a-102, that promotes character
36 building through outdoor activities.

37 (2) The Division of Wildlife Resources shall permit a resident to fish without a license
38 during a youth organization activity if:

39 (a) the resident is:

40 (i) a member of a youth organization; and

41 (ii) younger than 14 years old;

42 (b) the fishing is in compliance with all fishing statutes and rules; and

43 (c) the adult leader obtains from the youth organization:

44 (i) a valid tour permit; or

45 (ii) official documentation that specifies:

46 (A) the date and place of the fishing;

47 (B) the name of the adult leader that will supervise the fishing; and

48 (C) that the activity is officially sanctioned by the youth organization.

49 (3) (a) The adult leader shall instruct the members on fishing statutes and rules.

50 (b) The division shall provide educational materials on its website to assist the adult
51 leader in complying with Subsection (3)(a).

52 (4) By following the procedures and requirements of Title 63, Chapter 46a,

53 Administrative Rulemaking Act, the Wildlife Board shall adopt rules specifying the form of the
54 official documentation required by Subsection (2)(c)(ii).

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Fiscal Note

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State Impact

Enactment of this bill will not require additional appropriations.

Individual, Business and/or Local Impact

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs and/or benefits for individuals, businesses, or local governments.
