

**Representative Christopher N. Herrod** proposes the following substitute bill:

**ILLEGAL DRUG ACTIVITY REPORTING**

**THROUGH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**

2008 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Christopher N. Herrod**

Senate Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill modifies the State Officers and Employees title by amending the duties of the attorney general to include establishing an Online Illegal Drug Activity Reporting System.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ requires the Attorney General to establish and maintain the Online Illegal Drug Activity Reporting System to facilitate direct online communication from the public to a local law enforcement jurisdiction for reporting illegal drug activity;
  - ▶ provides for a database to identify, by municipal and county jurisdiction, each local law enforcement jurisdiction where an online report of illegal drug activity may be reported;
  - ▶ allows a local law enforcement jurisdiction to be excluded from the system;
  - ▶ allows the attorney general to provide a reward for reporting illegal drug activities;
- and
- ▶ provides certain funding provisions.

**Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**



26 None

27 **Other Special Clauses:**

28 This bill takes effect on July 1, 2008.

29 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

30 ENACTS:

31 **67-5-26**, Utah Code Annotated 1953



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

34 Section 1. Section **67-5-26** is enacted to read:

35 **67-5-26. Online Illegal Drug Activity Reporting System -- Established --**

36 **Procedures -- Funding.**

37 (1) There is established the "Online Illegal Drug Activity Reporting System" in the  
38 Office of the Attorney General. The attorney general shall establish and maintain the Online  
39 Illegal Drug Activity Reporting System to facilitate direct online communication from the  
40 public to the local law enforcement jurisdiction for reporting illegal drug activity. The Online  
41 Illegal Drug Activity Reporting System shall include a database which identifies, by municipal  
42 and county jurisdiction, each local law enforcement jurisdiction where an online report of  
43 illegal drug activity may be reported.

44 (2) A local law enforcement jurisdiction is not required to be included in the Online  
45 Illegal Drug Activity Reporting System.

46 (3) The Online Illegal Drug Activity Reporting System shall permit a person who  
47 wishes to report online illegal drug activity anonymously to do so.

48 (4) Subject to funding limitations, the attorney general may provide cash awards to  
49 individuals whose report leads to an arrest or conviction.

50 (5) The Online Illegal Drug Activity Reporting System shall be funded using monies  
51 appropriated by the Legislature.

52 (6) The attorney general shall provide education to the public informing them on the  
53 Online Illegal Drug Activity Reporting System.

54 Section 2. **Effective date.**

55 This bill takes effect on July 1, 2008.

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**Fiscal Note****H.B. 136 1st Sub. (Buff) - Illegal Drug Activity Reporting Through the  
Attorney General**

2008 General Session

State of Utah

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**State Impact**

Enactment of this bill will require a one-time appropriation of \$94,500 from the General Fund to the Attorney General in FY 2009.

	<u>FY 2008 Approp.</u>	<u>FY 2009 Approp.</u>	<u>FY 2010 Approp.</u>	<u>FY 2008 Revenue</u>	<u>FY 2009 Revenue</u>	<u>FY 2010 Revenue</u>
General Fund, One-Time	\$0	\$94,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$94,500</b>	<b>\$0</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, businesses, or local governments.