

**JOINT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE
GOVERNOR'S BOARD APPOINTMENTS TO
REFLECT UTAH GEOGRAPHIC BALANCE**

2008 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Dennis E. Stowell

House Sponsor: Michael E. Noel

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This joint resolution of the Legislature encourages the Governor to consider statewide geographic balance when making future gubernatorial appointments.

Highlighted Provisions:

This resolution:

▶ encourages the Governor to consider, among other factors, achieving an increased statewide geographic balance when determining membership in making future committee, board, and commission appointments.

Special Clauses:

None

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

WHEREAS, participation in government by citizens from all regions of the state encourages understanding of the unique needs and perspectives of all citizens while also forging common bonds through public service;

WHEREAS, there are many significant ways in which citizens from across the state contribute their time and effort for the betterment of Utah as a whole;

WHEREAS, one way to recognize the significance of including citizens throughout the



28 state in serving the public is through membership on state committees, boards, and
29 commissions;

30 WHEREAS, geographic representation, as reflected in the membership of these state
31 entities, suggests that the varied perspectives of Utahns are heard and are recognized as playing
32 an essential role in the development of public policy in Utah;

33 WHEREAS, in some cases, the membership of state committees, boards, and
34 commissions does not reflect the broad, geographic spectrum of the state of Utah;

35 WHEREAS, the Legislature, in filling its appointments to state entities, has worked to
36 reflect the varied geographic interests of the state; and

37 WHEREAS, the citizens of the state benefit greatly as Utah's wide geographic range of
38 interests and perspectives are included in the political process:

39 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah
40 encourages the Governor to give added consideration to geographic balance when making
41 future gubernatorial appointments to the state's committees, boards, and commissions.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to Governor
43 Huntsman.

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Fiscal Note

**S.J.R. 6 - Joint Resolution Encouraging the Governor's Board Appointments
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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.
