

**TIME LIMITATION FOR PROSECUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CRIMES**

2009 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Carl Wimmer**

Senate Sponsor: Karen W. Morgan

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill modifies the Criminal Code regarding the time limitation on prosecution of environmental crimes.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

► requires that a prosecution for a ~~felony~~ violation of Title 19, Environmental Quality Code, shall be commenced within four years after facts constituting the violation have been reported in writing to a prosecutor having responsibility and jurisdiction to prosecute the offense.

**Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

ENACTS:

**76-1-303.7**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section **76-1-303.7** is enacted to read:



28            **76-1-303.7. Time limitation for prosecution of environmental crimes.**  
29            A prosecution for a ~~H~~→ **felony** ←~~H~~ violation of Title 19, Environmental Quality Code,  
29a        shall be  
30        commenced within four years after facts constituting the violation have been reported in  
31        writing to a prosecutor who has responsibility and jurisdiction to prosecute the offense.

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**Fiscal Note**

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**State Impact**

Enactment of this bill will not require additional appropriations.

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

Enactment of this bill may impact parties involved in certain environmental crimes prosecution.

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