

1                   **RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING ENERGY INNOVATION IN**  
2   **THE STATE OF UTAH**

3   2010 GENERAL SESSION

4   STATE OF UTAH

5   **Chief Sponsor: Eric K. Hutchings**

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7                   **LONG TITLE**

8                   **General Description:**

9                   This resolution of the House of Representatives expresses support for policies that  
10                  promote and foster energy innovation development in the state of Utah.

11                  **Highlighted Provisions:**

12                  This resolution:

13                  ▶ expresses support for policies that promote and foster energy innovation  
14                  development in the state of Utah to increase employment, potentially increase  
15                  education funding, and make the state a national and international leader in new  
16                  processes and technologies.

17                  **Special Clauses:**

18                  None

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20                  *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the state of Utah:*

21                  WHEREAS, energy innovation research and development is occurring in universities  
22                  within the state dealing with creative and revolutionary ways of gathering and utilizing energy  
23                  from a vast array of sources including solar power, geothermal power, bio fuels, oil shale,  
24                  underground storage, hydrogen-upgrading, carbon sequestration, carbon capture, nuclear  
25                  power, and computer simulation of the energy industry;

26                  WHEREAS, many agencies and organizations in the state are developing and  
27                  promoting energy innovation, such as the Utah Geological Survey, the State Energy Program,  
28                  the Governor's Energy Office, USTAR, the Governor's Office of Economic Development, the  
29                  Department of Workforce Services, the Department of Administrative Services' Division of

30 Facilities Construction and Management, the Department of Natural Resources' Division of  
31 Oil, Gas, and Mining, the Utah Petroleum Association, and the Utah Mining Association;

32 WHEREAS, Utah has the potential to be a world leader in energy innovation and the  
33 potential to export its technological advances to other states and countries;

34 WHEREAS, Utah also has the potential to dramatically improve the health, well-being,  
35 and general quality of life for people not just in the state but across the world through  
36 implementing innovative new technologies and processes that have the capacity to produce  
37 cheap, reliable, and clean energy supplies;

38 WHEREAS, another part of Utah's energy policy is to promote the development of  
39 resources and infrastructure sufficient to meet the state's growing energy demands, while  
40 contributing to the regional and national energy supply and reducing dependence on  
41 international energy sources;

42 WHEREAS, another part of Utah's energy policy is to have adequate, reliable,  
43 affordable, sustainable, and clean energy resources;

44 WHEREAS, a focus on energy innovation, development, and commercialization in the  
45 state has the potential to create jobs and attract future business to Utah; and

46 WHEREAS, energy innovation has the potential to significantly increase the state's  
47 education fund through the wise use of the state's trust lands:

48 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
49 state of Utah expresses support for policies that promote and foster energy innovation  
50 development in the state of Utah to increase employment, potentially increase education  
51 funding, and make the state a national and international leader in new processes and  
52 technologies.

53 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to Utah  
54 Geological Survey, the State Energy Program, the Governor's Energy Office, USTAR, the  
55 Governor's Office of Economic Development, the Department of Workforce Services, the  
56 Division of Facilities Construction and Management, the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining,  
57 the Utah Petroleum Association, the Utah Mining Association, and to the members of Utah's

58 congressional delegation.