

MASTER STUDY RESOLUTION

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This joint resolution of the Legislature gives the Legislative Management Committee items of study it may assign to the appropriate interim committee.

Highlighted Provisions:

This resolution:

- ▶ gives the Legislative Management Committee items of study it may assign to the appropriate interim committee during the 2010 legislative interim;

- ▶ directs interim committees assigned these studies to study and make recommendations for legislative action to the 59th Legislature before the 2011 Annual General Session; and

- ▶ suggests that the Legislative Management Committee, in approving studies, give consideration to the available time of legislators and the budget and capacity of staff to respond to the assigned studies.

Special Clauses:

None

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

WHEREAS, the Legislative Management Committee is created by law as a permanent committee to receive and assign matters for the interim study by committees of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the 58th Legislature has determined that certain legislative issues require additional investigation and study:

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Management Committee
31 is given the following items of study to assign to the appropriate interim committee with the
32 duty to study and make recommendations for legislative action to the 59th Legislature before
33 the 2011 Annual General Session.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Management Committee, in
35 making study assignments from this list and in approving study requests for individual
36 committees, give consideration to the available time of legislators and the budget and capacity
37 of staff to respond adequately to the number and complexity of the assignments given.

38 1. Alcohol Licensing - to study alcohol licensing by the Department of Alcoholic
39 Beverage Control.

40 2. Alcohol Storage - to study the refrigerated storage of heavy beers.

41 3. Alcoholic Beverage Control Act and Restaurant Licenses - to study restaurant
42 related licenses issued by the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission (H.B. 223).

43 4. Annuities - to study issues related to annuity regulation.

44 5. Anti-discrimination in Housing and the Workplace - to study whether and how to
45 provide for protections against discrimination in the workplace and housing based on sexual
46 orientation.

47 6. Armed Guard Licensure - to study whether armed guard licensure should be moved
48 from the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing to the Bureau of Criminal
49 Identification.

50 7. Commodities - to study commodity money issues.

51 8. Common Interest Ownership - to study the repealing and enacting of laws related to
52 common interest ownership (H.B. 399).

53 9. Construction Licenses - to study potential amendments to construction license
54 laws.

55 10. Construction Registry and Liens - to study issues related to the Utah Mechanics'
56 Lien law, the lien recovery fund, and the state construction registry.

57 11. Continuing Education Requirements - to study the number of hours of continuing

58 education needed to retain a trade license.

59 12. Contractor Database - to study issues related to the independent contractor
60 database.

61 13. Contractor Licensing - to study issues related to independent contractor licensing.

62 14. Credit Scores and Auto Insurance Rates - to study the use of credit scores in
63 determining auto insurance rates.

64 15. Disclosure of Methamphetamine Contaminated Property - to study whether to
65 require an owner or lessor who obtains information that would lead a reasonable person to
66 believe that property is or may be contaminated from methamphetamines to exercise
67 reasonable diligence to determine whether the property is contaminated to require the owner or
68 lessor to report the contamination (H.B. 190).

69 16. Disproportionate Rental Fee - to study whether to prohibit municipalities from
70 excluding landlords from participating in a good landlord program, under which the landlord
71 qualifies for a disproportionate rental fee reduction, based on the landlord accepting tenants
72 with no more than one felony conviction (H.B. 220).

73 17. Gender Rating in the Individual Insurance Market - to study whether removing the
74 gender rating raises premiums in the individual insurance market, what the gender gap
75 premiums look like in Utah, and the results and lessons to be learned from states that have
76 disallowed gender rating.

77 18. Handyman Code - to study needed revisions to the state's current handyman code.

78 19. Holding Construction Funds in Trust - to study whether to require contractors and
79 subcontractors to hold construction funds in trust (H.B. 272).

80 20. Housing and Employment Protections - to study the consequences of
81 implementing certain local ordinances on a state level that give specific protections in
82 employment and housing to LGBT individuals.

83 21. Impact of Misclassifying Workers as Independent Contractors - to study the
84 misclassification of workers as independent contractors rather than employees to determine the
85 prevalence of the practice in Utah and the impact on the state of:

- 86 a. workers being denied the protections and benefits of employee status, like workers'
87 compensation insurance coverage;
- 88 b. employers failing to make Social Security, Medicare, and unemployment insurance
89 payments and ignoring labor standards like paying overtime, minimum wages, or other
90 employee benefits; and
- 91 c. law-abiding businesses who properly classify workers as employees yet have higher costs,
92 being subjected to unfair competition from businesses who achieve low costs by intentionally
93 misclassifying their workers.

94 22. Insurance Code - to study the organization and terminology of the state's
95 Insurance Code.

96 23. Laser Centers - to study the regulation of laser centers.

97 24. Laws Governing Building Contractors - to study and address the need for stronger
98 laws governing building contractors, the over-use of B-100 general contractor licenses in lieu
99 of qualified specialty trade licenses, and the increase in companies classifying their workers as
100 "independent contractors" or using other methods to avoid paying fair wages, workers'
101 compensation insurance, and payroll taxes.

102 25. Limited Liability Companies - to study LLC's under the Uniform Law format.

103 26. Mechanical Contractors - to study potential modifications to mechanical
104 contractor licensing laws.

105 27. Mechanics' Lien Laws - to study mechanics lien laws to determine whether
106 charges are necessary to protect homeowners from liens even though the general contractor is
107 paid in full.

108 28. Merging Business Entities - to study consistency in the process of merging
109 various business entities.

110 29. Pharmacy Benefit Managers - to study the licensure and regulation of pharmacy
111 benefit managers (H.B. 135).

112 30. Professional Engineer Continuing Education - to study whether licensed
113 professional engineers are keeping up with continuing education units and practicing with a

- 114 license.
- 115 31. Protecting Identity of Children - to study how to provide a mechanism for freezing
116 the credit information of a child (H.B. 387).
- 117 32. Real Property Sales Information - to study whether a buyer in a real property sale
118 should have to provide information relating to the sale to the Multicounty Appraisal Trust
119 (H.B. 61 and H.J.R. 7).
- 120 33. Seismic Requirements - to study seismic requirements for condominium
121 conversion projects.
- 122 34. Special Event Alcohol Sales - to study whether to extend the hours for alcohol
123 sales for special events.
- 124 35. Workers' Compensation Death Benefits - to study and review workers'
125 compensation death benefits for a surviving spouse, with an analysis of dependency.
- 126 36. School Fee and Supplies - to study amendments to the Utah Constitution
127 regarding school fees and supplies (H.J.R. 25).
- 128 37. 12th Grade - to study accelerated high school graduation and increasing the rigor
129 of high school graduation requirements.
- 130 38. Board Elimination - to study the elimination of the Board of Regents.
- 131 39. Board of Regents Governance Issues - to study whether to choose representatives
132 on the Board of Regents from all regions of the state, and whether the Regents system is the
133 most effective way to govern higher education.
- 134 40. Career Status Requirements - to study the career status requirements of school
135 district employees.
- 136 41. District Funding - to study funding for small school districts.
- 137 42. Early Graduation - to study whether to provide incentives for early graduation.
- 138 43. Education Levies - to study the consolidation of education levies.
- 139 44. Environmental Design Standards for Schools - to study whether the Utah Board of
140 Education should build schools to the energy and environmental design rating system (LEED)
141 or comparable system.

142 45. Extended Year Schedules - to study the feasibility of extending school calendars
143 and schedules to increase the enrollment capacity of school buildings.

144 46. Fundamental Computing Concepts Credit - to study the teaching of higher level
145 technology education classes like fundamental computing concepts so that the .5 credit
146 required in computer technology curriculum does not include keyboarding, but is strictly in
147 computing concepts.

148 47. Gun Safety Education - to study whether to provide education on gun safety to
149 Utah's children.

150 48. Hazing Policies - to study issues related to hazing policies for higher education
151 (H.B. 410).

152 49. Higher Education Governance - to study Board of Regents governance of higher
153 education.

154 50. Higher Education Program Approval - to study and make recommendations
155 regarding whether the authority to approve academic programs should be moved from the
156 State Board of Regents to higher education institution boards of trustees in order to be more
157 responsive to regional needs.

158 51. Impact of Decreased Education Funding - to study and determine whether
159 decreases in per pupil spending in Utah schools negatively affects Utah students' test scores
160 and hampers their competitiveness for future employment and education.

161 52. Impact of Tax Cuts on Education Funding - to study and determine whether
162 income and property tax cuts and diversions are harming Utah's higher and public education
163 funding system.

164 53. Labor Law Related to Schools - to study why state school districts are exempt
165 from national and state labor laws.

166 54. Math Education - to study strengthening the math curriculum and math teacher
167 preparation.

168 55. Online Education Access - to study how to provide better access to online
169 education courses for K-12 students.

170 56. Payment for Online Courses - to study whether to require school districts to pay
171 for online courses from qualified providers.

172 57. Public School Innovations - to study how to provide greater flexibility to public
173 schools to meet the educational needs of students, including an innovation plan (H.B. 268).

174 58. Renewable Energy Class - to study the teaching of a class in math/science or
175 career technology education on how renewable energy generates electricity to prepare students
176 for potential future employment in this area.

177 59. Replacing Criterion Reference Tests (CRT) - to study whether to replace Criterion
178 Reference Tests with ACT tests, starting with pre-ACT in eighth grade.

179 60. School District Allocation of IT Budget - to study the disparity between
180 maintenance and salary versus hardware and software; the disparity, within the hardware
181 budget, between administrative overhead and resources actually dedicated to instruction; and
182 the disparity between pay and benefits between school district employment and
183 industry/market standards.

184 61. School Nutrition and Activity - to study physical activity and nutrition in schools.

185 62. School Property Tax Equalization - to study whether to repeal the requirement to
186 impose and distribute certain school capital outlay property tax revenues in school districts
187 within a first class county or divided school district (S.B. 87).

188 63. School Seismic Hazard Inventory - to study whether to require a school district or
189 charter school to conduct a seismic evaluation of each facility used by the district or a charter
190 school and to create a Public School Seismic Safety Committee (S.B. 72).

191 64. Student Funding - to study the funding of students, not institutions of higher
192 education.

193 65. Student Loans for Teachers - to study student loan payment assistance for veteran
194 teachers, including tax incentives or assistance through the education system.

195 66. Teacher Immunity - to study whether to grant teachers partial immunity for
196 actions at school.

197 67. Teacher Salary Levels - to study whether to make full-time classroom teachers the

198 highest paid employees of a school district.

199 68. Veterinary Medicine Program - to study the establishment of a professional
200 veterinary medicine program at USU.

201 69. Access to Government Records - to study whether a governmental employee's
202 salary should be a public record under GRAMA (1st Sub. H.B. 266).

203 70. Addresses on State Forms - to study state forms to determine how many have a
204 line for mailing addresses or P.O. boxes.

205 71. Agriculture Sustainability - to study ways to promote sustainability, including
206 requiring counties to establish an Agriculture Sustainability Investment Fund (H.B. 102).

207 72. Assisted Housing Waiting Lists - to study the merger of assisted housing waiting
208 lists in counties with more than one housing authority.

209 73. Ballot Proposition Withdrawal - to study a process to allow sponsors of initiative
210 and referendum petitions to withdraw their application.

211 74. Bariatric Surgery Coverage - to study whether PEHP can develop a coverage
212 benefit for bariatric surgery that would incur only the same or less cost to the program.

213 75. Bonding Requirements in State Employment - to study the removal of bonding
214 requirements for certain state officers.

215 76. Building Utilization and Cost Assessment - to study a building utilization and
216 cost assessment, performed by the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst, for leased and
217 owned state and higher education buildings.

218 77. Campaign Contribution Information Requirements - to study the requirement for
219 disclosure of employment data for a person making a campaign contribution.

220 78. Campaign Contribution Limits - to study whether campaign contribution limits
221 should be implemented and what impact contribution limits have on legislative races.

222 79. Candidate Vacancies - to study issues related to candidate vacancies.

223 80. Compact Agreement on Presidential Election - to study whether to enact an
224 agreement among the states to elect the President of the United States by national popular vote
225 (H.B. 297).

- 226 81. Conflict between Statute and Constitution Regarding Referendums - to study
227 whether Utah Code Subsection 20A-7-601(3)(b), which appears to conflict with Utah
228 Constitution Article VI, Section 2(b)(ii) regarding referendums, should be amended.
- 229 82. Daylight Savings - to study the elimination of Daylight Savings Time.
- 230 83. Donating State Property - to study and evaluate state surplus laws to determine
231 whether to donate state computer systems to non-profit organizations.
- 232 84. Elected Officials' Funds - to study whether Utah Code Section 52-5-201 is still
233 necessary with all of the other financial disclosure requirements of Utah Code Title 20A,
234 Chapter 11, Campaign and Financial Reporting Requirements.
- 235 85. Election Administration by County Clerks - to study whether to require that
236 county clerks administer all elections including state, county, municipality, school district,
237 local district, and special district elections to reduce costs and improve election efficiency,
238 expertise, uniformity, integrity, and voter convenience.
- 239 86. Election Code Changes Related to Federal Legislation - to study whether the
240 election code should be modified to reflect the changes made by the Military and Overseas
241 Voter Empowerment Act.
- 242 87. Election Code Violation Amendments - to study whether to change the election
243 code to include a process for a person to restore the person's right to vote, and whether there
244 should be a penalty if a person who has forfeited the person's right to vote still votes.
- 245 88. Election Day Registration - to study the potential merits of election day
246 registration.
- 247 89. Elections, Campaign Finance, and Lobbying Enforcement Commission - to study
248 the creation and jurisdiction of an Elections, Campaign Finance, and Lobbying Enforcement
249 Commission.
- 250 90. Email Communications - to study issues related to email communications and the
251 Open and Public Meetings Act (H.B. 415).
- 252 91. Ethics Act - to study, review, and update the Public Officers and Employers
253 Ethics Act.

- 254 92. Local Option Funding - to study local option funding alternatives for urban
255 centers that receive significant commuter or tourist influx and whether additional revenue
256 options are desirable to assist with associated transportation, public safety, or other costs.
- 257 93. Municipal Disincorporation - to study changes to statutory provisions governing
258 the disincorporation of a municipality (H.B. 218).
- 259 94. Municipal Election Amendments - to study whether a municipality should be
260 required to hold an election if, after the write-in period, candidates on the ballot are
261 unopposed.
- 262 95. Non-partisan County Election Code Amendments - to study whether the election
263 code should be changed to address the issues raised by non-partisan county governments.
- 264 96. Online Voter Registration - to study online registration and registration updates
265 for voting.
- 266 97. Redistricting by Other States - to study how other states conduct and implement
267 the redistricting process.
- 268 98. Sole Source Procurement - to study effective ways to provide for competition in a
269 streamlined manner when only one provider may be qualified to perform a government service
270 (S.B. 190).
- 271 99. State Construction Apprenticeships - to study whether to require that a percentage
272 of state construction projects include journeyman apprenticeships.
- 273 100. Surplus State Vehicle Sales - to study whether to privatize the sale of surplus
274 state vehicles.
- 275 101. Use of Electronic Signatures for Petitions - to study whether electronic
276 signatures should be used for initiative and referendum petitions (both statewide and local),
277 political party petitions, and certificate of nomination petitions.
- 278 102. Voter Engagement - to study ways to improve voter engagement in Utah (H.B.
279 244, H.B. 368, H.B. 164).
- 280 103. Voting by Mail - to study expanding the option for governmental entities to use
281 voting by mail in elections (H.B. 358).

- 282 104. Water Banking - to study the banking of water rights administered by a local
283 district (H.B. 84).
- 284 105. Access to Medicaid Benefits - to study how to lower the asset level for pregnant
285 women to become eligible for Medicaid benefits.
- 286 106. Behavioral Treatment System Improvement - to study the delivery of a more
287 effective treatment system to address the behavioral health treatment needs of children and
288 youth in the custody of the state.
- 289 107. Child Care Licensing - to study the licensing of child care services.
- 290 108. Children's Mental Health - to study and consider proposals for consolidating and
291 coordinating administrative functions within the Department of Human Services and identify
292 the services necessary to develop an effective home and community-based system of care for
293 children's mental health.
- 294 109. Community-based Mental Health Service Costs - to study how the costs of
295 community-based mental health services compare to similar services provided in the
296 correctional system and in-patient treatment.
- 297 110. Debt Collection Related to Medical Treatment - to study bad debt collection for
298 treatment provided subject to the Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act.
- 299 111. Division of Child and Family Services Efficiencies - to study potential
300 efficiencies in delivering services in the Division of Child and Family Services.
- 301 112. End of Life Care - to study issues related to end of life care associated with
302 Medicaid.
- 303 113. Health Care Budgeting Methods - to study and identify a budgeting method to
304 remove the double counting in Medicaid due to transfers between the Department of Health
305 and other state agencies.
- 306 114. Health Care Mandates Versus Free Market Solutions - to study government
307 mandates on modified community ratings, coverage, and licensing, and free market
308 alternatives.
- 309 115. Health Care Payments - to study whether to move away from fee-for-service

310 payments to pay for quality.

311 116. Health Coverage for a Legal Immigrant Child - to study whether to provide
312 Medicaid and health insurance coverage to a legal immigrant child regardless of the length of
313 time that the child has been in the United States (2nd Sub. S.B. 44).

314 117. Health Reform for Utah's Children - to study state health reform that covers all
315 Utah children.

316 118. Health Support of Law Enforcement - to study stable funding for Department of
317 Health entities that support law enforcement missions, like the Bureau of Toxicology.

318 119. Health Underwriting - to study health underwriting by health benefit plans and
319 expanding the ability to exclude certain conditions from coverage.

320 120. Hospital Emergency Department Use - to study and identify strategies for
321 reducing inappropriate emergency department use and related costs.

322 121. Income and Asset Testing - to study the rules and policies for income and asset
323 testing related to Medicaid and other welfare programs.

324 122. Individuals with Disabilities - to study options for meeting the needs of
325 individuals with disabilities who are in crisis, medically fragile, or have significant behavior
326 challenges.

327 123. Infections - to study health care associated infections.

328 124. Medicaid Family Planning Services - to study the extension of Medicaid family
329 planning services to low income women.

330 125. Medicaid Fraud Reporting - to study and explore ways the Department of
331 Health, the Department of Human Services, and the Department of Workforce Services could
332 increase public awareness of their fraud reporting systems and encourage the public to report
333 Medicaid fraud.

334 126. Medicaid Improvements - to study the lessons learned in Medicare that could be
335 applied in the Medicaid program.

336 127. Medicaid Program Coordination - to study the consolidation or improved
337 coordination of the Medicaid program by the Department of Health, the Department of Human

338 Services, and the Department of Workforce Services.

339 128. Medicaid Statutes - to study and review Medicaid statutes for clarification in
340 assigned responsibilities, desired policy direction, and agency interactions, and consider
341 raising all the statutes relating to Medicaid from chapter level to a separate title and
342 consolidating all related statutes within that title.

343 129. Medical Assistance Asset Test - to study whether to prohibit the use of an asset
344 test in determining the eligibility of a child or an independent foster care adolescent for
345 medical assistance (H.B. 87).

346 130. Medical Assistance Collections - to study and review a list of options for
347 expansion in the areas of collections, such as requiring insurers to share benefit information
348 for all medical assistance recipients to increase collections and cost avoidance.

349 131. Medical Benefits Recovery - to study and reconsider S.B. 50, Medical Benefits
350 Recovery Amendments, 2008 General Session, which amended the Medical Benefits Recovery
351 Act to provide that a lien to recover medical assistance benefits provided by the state may be
352 imposed against the real property of a person who is an inpatient in a care facility during the
353 life of that person.

354 132. Medical Industrial Complex - to study issues related to the Medical Industrial
355 Complex.

356 133. Mental Health Care Delivery - to study the development of a design for delivery
357 of an effective community-based system of care to address the mental health needs of children,
358 youth, and their families. The design is to be developed by the Department of Human Services,
359 working with stakeholders in the public mental health and substance abuse treatment systems
360 and family support advocacy organizations.

361 134. Mental Health Pilot Project - to study the establishment of a pilot program for
362 assertive community treatment services for people with a severe mental disorder, who are not
363 receiving or are transitioning out of other mental health services, and to their families (H.B.
364 198).

365 135. Needle Disposal - to study potential needle disposal legislation.

- 366 136. Nutrition Information in Restaurants - to study the posting of nutrition
367 information on restaurant menus.
- 368 137. Prematurity in Newborn Infants - to study health information issues related to
369 prematurity of newborn infants.
- 370 138. Residential Facilities for the Elderly - to study provisions relating to residential
371 facilities for elderly persons (H.B. 401).
- 372 139. Social Determinants of Health - to study the role of policy and budget planning
373 in supporting the public and private sector partnerships needed to address the social
374 determinants of health.
- 375 140. State Agency Auditing of Local Health and Human Services - to study the
376 effectiveness of streamlining and consolidating audit efforts by the Department of Health and
377 the Department of Human Services and their contracted monitors on county-delivered human
378 service programs, local public health programs, and private providers.
- 379 141. State Health System Reform - to study affordability parameters, thresholds, and
380 mechanisms needed to support the broader goals of state health system reform, including
381 access to decent and affordable health insurance coverage for the uninsured.
- 382 142. Affirmative Action - to study the status of the affirmative action effort in Utah
383 and a potential constitutional amendment related to H.J.R. 24.
- 384 143. Bail Bond Recovery - to study bail bond recovery agent requirements and equal
385 treatment by government as proposed in H.J.R. 24.
- 386 144. Committee of Correspondence on State Sovereignty - to study whether to
387 appoint a committee of correspondence to communicate and coordinate with other states
388 regarding state sovereignty issues.
- 389 145. Costs of Death Penalty - to study the cost impact of the death penalty.
- 390 146. Criminal Code - to study and comprehensively review the Utah Criminal Code.
- 391 147. Employment of Pre-Sentence Report Writers - to study which agency should
392 employ pre-sentence report writers, since they perform a quasi-court function.
- 393 148. Expungement - to study substantive modifications to the expungement law.

- 394 149. Fireworks - to study the regulation of fireworks.
- 395 150. Fusion Centers - to study oversight of fusion centers.
- 396 151. Grandparent Rights - to study the rights of grandparents when they have custody
397 of children.
- 398 152. Guardianship Appointments - to study the creation of a method within the courts
399 for the appointment of a guardian or conservator for a minor or an incapacitated adult and the
400 elimination of a local school board's ability to designate guardians for students within their
401 district (H.B. 347).
- 402 153. Gun Free Zones - to study Utah's gun free zones.
- 403 154. Incense as a Drug - to study the sale and use of incense as a drug.
- 404 155. Indigent Defense - to study the Indigent Defense Act and its application to
405 indigent defense resources.
- 406 156. Law Enforcement Pay Plans - to study law enforcement officer, correctional
407 officer, and public safety dispatch personnel pay plans (H.B. 330).
- 408 157. Medicaid Fraud Control Unit - to study the return on investment for resources
409 provided to the Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit and the feasibility of
410 increased recoveries if the unit is provided with more resources.
- 411 158. Medicaid Fraud Enforcement Mechanisms - to study whether Utah should adopt
412 Qui Tam provisions for enforcement of provider fraud.
- 413 159. Metabolite DUI - to study metabolite DUI's where there is no impairment.
- 414 160. Pepsipice Regulation - to study whether to regulate the sale and use of the
415 substance Pepsipice.
- 416 161. Phone Slamming - to study phone slamming and determine an appropriate
417 penalty.
- 418 162. Prescription Abuse - to study issues related to prescription drug and substance
419 abuse.
- 420 163. Renewal of Judgments - to study the establishment of a fee for renewal of
421 judgments (H.B. 373).

422 164. Search and Rescue Funding - to study ways to fund voluntary search and rescue
423 efforts (S.B. 60).

424 165. Sexual Offenses Against a Minor - to study and work with the Sentencing
425 Commission on issues related to unlawful sexual offenses against a minor.

426 166. Shared Parenting - to study issues related to shared parenting in divorce.

427 167. Snuff Labeling - to study whether to ban or require specific labeling on flavored
428 snuff.

429 168. Unlawful Provision of Identifiable Prescription Information - to study whether to
430 make it a class B misdemeanor to provide, sell, exchange, purchase, obtain, or use identifiable
431 prescription information for a commercial purpose, except as may be permitted (H.B. 104).

432 169. Utah Supreme Court Terms - to study the appointment of justices to the Utah
433 Supreme Court on a staggered term basis so that only one comes up for retention election
434 every two years.

435 170. Access and Improvements to Fisheries - to study how to establish an agreement
436 between the Division of Wildlife Resources and property owners to provide access and
437 improvements to fisheries.

438 171. Agriculture Services Area - to study whether to allow an agriculture services
439 area.

440 172. Application of Endangered Species Act - to study how to apply to the
441 Endangered Species Act to species which are completely contained within the state and never
442 cross state borders.

443 173. Canal Safety - to study enacting a Canal Safety Act (1st Sub. S.B. 185).

444 174. Duration of Deer Hunt - to study whether to change the duration of the general
445 rifle deer hunt (H.B. 417).

446 175. Environmental Quality Boards - to study modifying provisions to boards, and
447 executive secretaries to boards, within the Department of Environmental Quality (S.B. 223).

448 176. Fire Funding - to study wildland fire and School and Institutional Trust Lands
449 Administration wildfire funding issues.

450 177. Groundwater Protest and Studies - to study issues relating to Millard County's
451 legal defense of its groundwater protests, and the ongoing USGS groundwater studies in Snake
452 Valley.

453 178. Hunting by Grazing Associations - to study whether to provide conservation
454 hunting permits to grazing associations.

455 179. Sand and Gravel - to study the classification of sand and gravel.

456 180. Solid Waste Classification - to study the approval process used to determine
457 solid waste facility classifications.

458 181. Stream Access - to study and explore the possibility of forming cooperative
459 fishing management units.

460 182. Surface Owner Protection - to study procedures for an operator to follow when
461 conducting an oil or gas operation (H.B. 309).

462 183. Tire Recycling Fee Distribution - to study the distribution of funds from the Tire
463 Recycling fee, and the fairness of participation and contribution to the fund.

464 184. Waste Reduction and Recycling - to study a state waste reduction and recycling
465 program.

466 185. Water Authority Project - to study issues related to the Southern Nevada Water
467 Authority Groundwater Development Project.

468 186. Water Right Change Requests - to study modifications to the process for
469 changing water rights (S.B. 99).

470 187. Water Rights and River Recreation - to study water rights related to recreation
471 on Utah rivers.

472 188. Applying the National Electrical Code - to study whether to require the Public
473 Service Commission, in determining provisions for electrical service connections by an
474 electrical corporation, to use the current state adopted National Electrical Code provision, and
475 whether to allow alternative provisions if the commission determines they are just and
476 reasonable (H.B. 411).

477 189. Energy Cost Recovery and Renewable Energy - to study cost recovery for

478 various forms of energy and renewable energy goals (S.B. 131).

479 190. Enhanced 911 Requirements - to study enhanced 911 requirements for multi-line
480 telephone systems (S.B. 72).

481 191. Net Metering - to study and propose potential adjustments to the net metering
482 laws to address the higher cost of renewable energy.

483 192. Utility Undergrounding - to study whether to provide funding for the purpose of
484 undergrounding power lines through a local option franchise tax authority in older urbanized
485 municipalities.

486 193. Utilization of Department of Technology Services by State Agencies - to study
487 the "decoupling" of the Department of Technology Services from mandatory usage by state
488 agencies wishing to utilize other technology services from other companies or agencies
489 through RFP.

490 194. Administrative Fees Account - to study issues related to the Sales Tax
491 Administrative Fees Account.

492 195. Appeal to Utah Population Estimates Committee - to study whether to authorize
493 a county, city, or town to appeal its population for certain sales and use tax purposes to the
494 Utah Population Estimates Committee (H.B. 139).

495 196. Determination of Sale Origin - to study and determine when a sale, other than a
496 sale of tangible personal property, is in the state.

497 197. District Taxing Authority - to study the taxing authority for water conservancy
498 districts.

499 198. Flat Tax - to study the impact of moving from graduated income tax brackets to
500 a flat tax on education and the General Fund.

501 199. Local Option Sales and Use Tax Terminology - to study the terminology used in
502 local option sales and use taxes to refer to local governments and whether greater uniformity
503 can be achieved in the use of the terminology.

504 200. Localized Taxes - to study sales and use taxes within a geographic area that is
505 smaller than a county, city, or town.

- 506 201. Municipal Taxes and PILT Funding - to study a municipal services tax and
507 Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) funding.
- 508 202. Property Tax Exemption - to study whether to change certain qualifications for
509 the residential property tax exemption (H.B. 182).
- 510 203. Property Tax Valuation - to study whether to change the valuation of certain
511 property under the Property Tax Act (H.B. 322).
- 512 204. Recreational Vehicle Taxes - to study tax equity on the rental of recreational
513 vehicles.
- 514 205. Special Group License Plate Regulation - to study the regulation of special group
515 license plates by State Tax Commission rule instead of legislative action, with sunset language
516 for those which fail to meet goals.
- 517 206. Tax Increases Not Approved by Voters - to study whether to allow tax increases
518 not approved by voters to be subject to referendum and initiative procedures.
- 519 207. Tax Notice Modifications - to study whether tax notices should be modified to
520 provide more information, including the percentage of increase or decrease, the date and type
521 of approval, and the time and location of public hearings.
- 522 208. Transmitting Local Tax Ordinances - to study whether counties, cities, and
523 towns should be required to provide their sales and use tax ordinances to the State Tax
524 Commission.
- 525 209. Transportation Taxes - to study the taxing authority for local option sales and
526 use taxes for transportation.
- 527 210. Use Tax for Electronic Waste - to study and review a use tax to cover recycling
528 costs up front for electronic waste, computers, cell phones, DVD players, VCR's, etc.
- 529 211. Wind Farm Siting and Taxes - to study the siting of wind farms and whether to
530 assess an excise tax on wind energy similar to the severance tax on minerals.
- 531 212. Part-Time Employee Health Care Costs - to study the effects of pro rating the
532 health care costs of part-time employees.
- 533 213. Retirement Issues Related to Part-Time Employees - to study the effect of

534 part-time employees who work full time the last few years of their careers.

535 214. B and C Road Maintenance Funding - to study whether current B and C road
536 funds are adequate to cover the maintenance costs of those roads.

537 215. Class B and C Road Bids - to study bid limits for class B and class C road
538 maintenance or construction projects.

539 216. Contract Passenger Carriers - to study the regulation of contract passenger
540 carriers and other provisions of H.B. 152.

541 217. County Emissions Penalties - to study the penalties assessed by local
542 governments on emissions testing businesses that violate emissions testing procedures,
543 including a potential cap on penalties and fine amounts.

544 218. Deferring Road Maintenance - to study the impact of the deferring of routine
545 maintenance of arterial and collector roads.

546 219. Determining Local Transportation Needs - to study and review the current means
547 of determining the transportation needs of a community, including cost and capacity measures,
548 and ways to improve these determinations.

549 220. Emissions - to study statewide vehicle emissions requirements and examine the
550 possibility of incentivizing vehicle owners in rural counties to meet emissions standards
551 required in Wasatch Front counties.

552 221. Emissions and Maintenance Incentives - to study whether to provide incentives
553 to counties where an emissions inspection and maintenance program is not required or
554 necessary to adopt similar standards as counties that have an inspection and maintenance
555 program.

556 222. Fair Appraisal Services for Rights-of-Way - to study fair practices for equitable
557 and proper appraisal services when the state is in the process of acquiring rights-of-way and
558 condemning properties for state use.

559 223. Impact of Impound Law - to study the impact of H.B. 151, Motor Vehicle
560 Revisions, 2008 General Session, including how many vehicles have been impounded due to
561 its passage into law.

562 224. Impact of Requests for Special Group License Plates - to study how to address
563 the many requests for special group licenses, poor fund-raising, and the administrative burden
564 of accommodating plate usage.

565 225. Information on Driver Licenses and Registration - to study whether to place zip
566 codes on driver licenses and whether to place an individual's address on the vehicle
567 registration.

568 226. Lane Mile Distribution Formula for Local Transportation Funding - to study the
569 adequacy of the current lane mile distribution formula in funding transportation needs in a
570 community and whether there is a better measure of capacity that more accurately reflects
571 transportation need, including lane miles traveled per lane mile, an assessment of arterial roads
572 in a community, or another measure.

573 227. Motor Vehicle Owner or Operator Security - to study the enforcement of the
574 requirement to have owners' or operators' security for a motor vehicle that is operated on a
575 highway in Utah.

576 228. Operating Bicycles and Mopeds - to study the operation of bicycles and mopeds
577 on roadways (H.B. 424).

578 229. Public Transit Districts - to study whether to allow public transit districts to
579 establish, finance, and participate as a limited partner in a development with limited liabilities,
580 to construct, improve, maintain, or operate a transit-oriented development or transit-supportive
581 development, or to assist in the economic development of areas in proximity of transit
582 facilities (S.B. 272).

583 230. Railroad Crossing Amendments - to study potential changes to railroad and
584 railroad crossing laws.

585 231. Special Group License Plate Issues - to study funding of special group license
586 plates, eliminating underused plates, and the approval process.

587 232. Special Group License Plates - to study whether to place a cap on the number of
588 special group license plates.

589 233. Special Olympics License Plate - to study the creation of a Special Olympics

590 License Plate.

591 234. Surplus State Vehicles - to study privatization of the sale of surplus state
592 vehicles.

593 235. Tangible Personal Property Definition - to study and determine whether the
594 definition of tangible personal property should include carpeting (S.B. 27).

595 236. Arts and Museum Funding - to study ways to fund arts and museums in the
596 state.

597 237. Community Development and Renewal Agency - to study various revisions to
598 community development and renewal agency statutes, including the allocation of 20% of tax
599 increment for housing (S.B. 197).

600 238. Military Installation Development Authorities - to study military installation
601 development authorities -- what they are and the extent of their powers.

602 239. Notification of Misuse of Information or Identity Fraud - to study Department of
603 Workforce Services' notification of employers of practices that could constitute misuse of
604 personal identifying information or identity fraud.

605 240. Venture Capital - to study issues related to Utah venture capital.

606 241. Exemptions for Cedar Band - to study whether to exempt certain transactions on
607 Cedar Band reservation land from specified taxes imposed under state law (S.B. 207).

608 242. Native American Economies - to study economic opportunities for Native
609 American communities.

610 243. Capital Outlay - to study capital outlay funding equalization.

611 244. Government Functions and Budgeting - to study the creation of a bi-partisan
612 task force to develop a list of core government functions and the implementation of a new
613 system of performance and budgeting.

614 245. State Agency Budgets - to study zero based budgets for state agencies (H.B.
615 392).

616 246. Vacation Leave Policies - to study and conduct an analysis of sick and vacation
617 leave policies versus paid time off.

618 247. Privatizing State Parks - to study and review a report, prepared by the
619 Department of Natural Resources' internal audit team, of the potential costs and benefits of
620 privatizing or outsourcing state park operations, including a list of six potential park
621 candidates likely for privatization.

622 248. Notification of Bill Hearing Change - to study ways to alert the public when a
623 bill posted on a committee agenda will not be heard.

624 249. Public Meeting Agendas - to study whether to require a "tentative agenda" at
625 least 72 hours prior to a public meeting, and leaving in place the current 24-hour notice
626 requirement for a final agenda.