1	AGRICULTURE SUSTAINABILITY TASK FORCE
2	2011 GENERAL SESSION
3	STATE OF UTAH
4	Chief Sponsor: Jack R. Draxler
5	Senate Sponsor: Lyle W. Hillyard
6 7	LONG TITLE
8	General Description:
9	This bill creates the Agriculture Sustainability Task Force.
10	Highlighted Provisions:
11	This bill:
12	 creates a task force to study ways to sustain the agricultural industry.
13	Money Appropriated in this Bill:
14	None
15	Other Special Clauses:
16	This bill is repealed on November 30, 2011.
17	Uncodified Material Affected:
18	ENACTS UNCODIFIED MATERIAL
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20	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
21	Section 1. Agriculture Sustainability Task Force Creation Membership
22	Quorum Compensation Staff.
23	(1) There is created the Agriculture Sustainability Task Force consisting of the
24	following 15 members:
25	(a) six members of the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate, no more than
26	four of whom may be from the same political party;
27	(b) six members of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the

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28	House of Representatives, no more than four of whom may be from the same political party;
29	(c) the lieutenant governor or the lieutenant governor's designee;
30	(d) the commissioner of the Department of Agriculture or the commissioner's designee;
31	and
32	(e) the executive director of the Utah Quality Growth Commission.
33	(2) (a) The president of the Senate shall designate a member of the Senate appointed
34	under Subsection (1)(a) as a cochair of the task force.
35	(b) The speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate a member of the House
36	of Representatives appointed under Subsection (1)(b) as a cochair of the task force.
37	(3) A majority of the members of the task force constitute a quorum. The action of a
38	majority of a quorum constitutes the action of the task force.
39	(4) A non-legislative member of the task force may not receive compensation or
40	benefits for the member's service, but may receive per diem and travel expenses in accordance
41	with:
42	(a) Section 63A-3-106;
43	(b) Section 63A-3-107; and
44	(c) rules made by the Division of Finance pursuant to Sections 63A-3-106 and
45	<u>63A-3-107.</u>
46	(5) Salaries and expenses of a legislator who is a member of the task force shall be paid
47	in accordance with Section 36-2-2 and Legislative Joint Rules, Title 5, Chapter 3, Expense and
48	Mileage Reimbursement for Authorized Legislative Meetings, Special Sessions, and Veto
49	Override Sessions.
50	(6) The Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel shall provide staff support
51	to the task force.
52	Section 2. Duties Interim report.
53	(1) The task force may review and make recommendations on:
54	(a) ways to sustain and strengthen the agriculture industry as an integral part of the
55	state's economy:
56	(b) the loss of productive agricultural land to other uses:
57	(c) the effect of markets and prices on agricultural production;
58	(d) the effect of government regulations on production agriculture; and

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- 59 (e) any other relevant issue that affects the sustainability of the agriculture industry.
- 60 (2) A final report, including any proposed legislation, shall be presented to the Natural
- 61 <u>Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Interim Committee before November 30, 2011.</u>
- 62 Section 3. Repeal date.
- 63 This bill is repealed on November 30, 2011.

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