## S.B. 154

## UTAH FIT PREMISES ACT MODIFICATIONS

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

AMENDMENT 1

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Senator **Benjamin M. McAdams** proposes the following amendments:

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    Page 1, Lines 15 through 18:
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          before the commencement of a rental agreement; and
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                       provides for consequences if an owner fails to deliver possession of a residential
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          rental unit as provided in the rental agreement { ; and }
                  {→ prohibits an owner from taking specified retaliatory action against a renter.}
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    Page 2, Line 28:
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                  { 57-22-4.2, Utah Code Annotated 1953 }
    Page 3, Line 76 through Page 4, Line 91:
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                  Section 3. Section 57-22-4.2 is enacted to read:
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                57-22-4.2. Prohibited retaliatory action by owner -- Limitation.
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                (1) An owner may not bring or threaten to bring an eviction or other civil action, or
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          take or threaten to take any other action, against a renter in retaliation based primarily on a
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          renter:
                (a) organizing or joining a renters' union or similar organization;
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                (b) expressing an intention to complain or complaining to a governmental entity about
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          a matter relating to the renter's residential rental unit;
                (c) making a complaint in good faith to the owner or the owner's agent;
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                (d) filing or expressing an intention to file a lawsuit or administrative action against the
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          owner:
                (e) testifying in a judicial or administrative proceeding or before a public body; or
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                (f) exercising any other right or remedy provided by law.
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                (2) Subsection (1) may not be construed to prohibit an owner from:
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                (a) evicting a renter as provided elsewhere in this chapter; or
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                (b) exercising a right the owner has under other applicable law.
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