

INMATE MEDICAL DONATION ACT

2012 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Steve Eliason

Senate Sponsor: Margaret Dayton

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill would provide for inmates to voluntarily donate their organs, posthumously.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

▸ requires the Utah Department of Corrections to provide a document of gift form at an inmate's request, indicating an inmate's desire to make an anatomical gift if the inmate dies while in the custody of the department;

▸ requires the department to maintain a record of an inmate's anatomical gift determination; and

▸ provides that the department may release to an organ procurement organization the names of all inmates who indicate they intend to make an anatomical gift.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

64-13-44, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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



28 Section 1. Section ~~64-13-44~~ is enacted to read:

29 **64-13-44. Posthumous organ donations by inmates.**

30 (1) As used in this section:

31 (a) "Document of gift" has the same meaning as in Section 26-28-102.

32 (b) "Sign" has the same meaning as in Section 26-28-102.

33 (2) (a) The Utah Department of Corrections shall make available to each inmate a
34 document of gift form that allows an inmate to indicate the inmate's desire to make an
35 anatomical gift if the inmate dies while in the custody of the department.

36 (b) If the inmate chooses to make an anatomical gift after death, the inmate shall
37 complete a document of gift in accordance with the requirements of Title 26, Chapter 28,
38 Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act.

39 (c) The department shall maintain a record of an inmate's document of gift that the
40 inmate provides to the department.

41 (3) Notwithstanding Title 63G, Chapter 2, Government Records Access and
42 Management Act, the department may, upon request, release to an organ procurement
43 organization, as defined in Section 26-28-102, the names and addresses of all inmates who
44 complete and sign the document of gift form indicating they intend to make an anatomical gift.

45 (4) The making of an anatomical gift by an inmate under this section shall comply with
46 Title 26, Chapter 28, Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act.

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