1	INDIGENT DEFENSE ACT AMENDMENTS
2	2012 GENERAL SESSION
3	STATE OF UTAH
4	Chief Sponsor: Gregory H. Hughes
5 6	Senate Sponsor:
7	LONG TITLE
8	General Description:
9	This bill modifies the Indigent Defense Act.
10	Highlighted Provisions:
11	This bill:
12	defines "defense service provider", "legal defense", and "regional legal defense";
13	 allows a person charged with a serious offense to file a claim of indigency with the
14	court;
15	 requires a defense service provider to provide all legal defense services as a
16	package;
17	 provides procedures for the court to follow when a defendant hires private counsel;
18	and
19	 extends subsequent terms of county commissioners and county attorneys who serve
20	on the Indigent Defense Fund Board to be four years rather than two years.
21	Money Appropriated in this Bill:
22	None
23	Other Special Clauses:
24	None
25	Utah Code Sections Affected:
26	AMENDS:
27	77-32-201 , as last amended by Laws of Utah 2011, Chapter 108



28	77-32-202 , as last amended by Laws of Utah 2011, Chapter 108
29	77-32-301, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 1997, Chapter 354
30	77-32-302, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2006, Chapter 49
31	77-32-303, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 3
32	77-32-304, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 1997, Chapter 354
33	77-32-304.5, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2006, Chapter 49
34	77-32-305.5, as enacted by Laws of Utah 1997, Chapter 307
35	77-32-306 , as last amended by Laws of Utah 2006, Chapter 49
36	77-32-307, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 1997, Chapter 354
37	77-32-401 , as last amended by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapter 286
38 39	Do it an acted by the Levislature of the state of Utah.
	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah: Section 1. Section 77-32-201 is amended to read:
40	77-32-201. Definitions.
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42	For the purposes of this chapter:
43	(1) "Board" means the Indigent Defense Funds Board created in Section 77-32-401.
44	(2) "Compelling reason" shall include one or more of the following circumstances
45	relating to the contracting attorney:
46	(a) a conflict of interest;
47	(b) the contracting attorney does not have sufficient expertise to provide an effective
48	defense of the indigent; or
49	(c) the defense resource is insufficient or lacks expertise to provide a complete defense.
50	(3) "Defense resources" means a competent investigator, expert witness, or other
51	appropriate means necessary, for an effective defense of an indigent, but does not include legal
52	counsel.
53	(4) "Defense services provider" means a legal aid association, legal defender's office,
54	regional legal defense association, law firm, attorney, or attorneys contracting with a county or
55	municipality to provide legal defense, and includes any combination of counties and
56	municipalities, to provide regional legal defense.
57	[(4)] (5) "Indigent" means a person qualifying as an indigent under indigency standards
58	established in Part 3, Counsel for Indigents.

59	[(5)] (6) "Legal aid association" means a nonprofit defense association or society that
60	provides [counsel and] legal defense [resources] for indigent defendants.
61	[(6)] (7) "Legal defender's office" means a [department] division of county government
62	created and authorized by the county legislative body to provide legal representation in
63	criminal matters to indigent defendants.
64	[(7)] (8) "Legal defense" means [legal counsel, defense resources, or both.] to:
65	(a) provide competent defense counsel for each indigent who faces the substantial
66	probability of the deprivation of the indigent's liberty;
67	(b) afford timely representation by defense counsel;
68	(c) provide the defense resources necessary for a complete defense;
69	(d) assure undivided loyalty of defense counsel to the client;
70	(e) provide a first appeal right; and
71	(f) prosecute other remedies, before or after a conviction, considered by defense
72	counsel to be in the interest of justice except for other subsequent discretionary appeals or
73	discretionary writ proceedings.
74	[(8)] (9) "Participating county" means a county which has complied with the provisions
75	of this chapter for participation in the Indigent Capital Defense Trust Fund as provided in
76	Sections 77-32-602 and 77-32-603 or the Indigent Felony Defense Trust Fund as provided in
77	Sections 77-32-702 and 77-32-703.
78	(10) "Regional legal defense" means a defense services provider which provides legal
79	defense to any combination of counties and municipalities through an interlocal cooperation
80	agreement pursuant to Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation Act, and Subsection
81	<u>77-32-306(3).</u>
82	[(9)] (11) "Serious offense" means a felony or capital felony.
83	Section 2. Section 77-32-202 is amended to read:
84	77-32-202. Procedure for determination of indigency Standards.
85	(1) A determination of indigency or continuing indigency of any defendant may be
86	made by the court at any stage of the proceedings.
87	(2) (a) Any defendant claiming indigency who is charged with a crime the penalty of
88	which is a class A misdemeanor or [felony] serious offense shall file with the court a fully
89	complete affidavit verified by a notary or other person authorized by law to administer an oath

and file a copy of that affidavit with the prosecuting entity. The affidavit shall contain the factual information required in this section and by the court.

- (b) A defendant claiming indigency who is charged with a crime the penalty of which is less than a class A misdemeanor is not required to comply with the requirements of Subsection (2)(a) and Subsection (4).
 - (3) (a) "Indigency" means that a person:

- (i) does not have sufficient income, assets, credit, or other means to provide for the payment of legal counsel and all other necessary expenses of representation without depriving that person or the family of that person of food, shelter, clothing, and other necessities; or
- (ii) has an income level at or below 150% of the United States poverty level as defined by the most recently revised poverty income guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services; and
- (iii) has not transferred or otherwise disposed of any assets since the commission of the offense with the intent of establishing eligibility for the appointment of counsel under this chapter.
 - (b) In making a determination of indigency, the court shall consider:
 - (i) the probable expense and burden of defending the case;
- (ii) the ownership of, or any interest in, any tangible or intangible personal property or real property, or reasonable expectancy of any such interest;
- (iii) the amounts of debts owned by the defendant or that might reasonably be incurred by the defendant because of illness or other needs within the defendant's family;
 - (iv) number, ages, and relationships of any dependents;
- (v) the reasonableness of fees and expenses charged to the defendant by the defendant's attorney where the defendant is represented by privately retained defense counsel; and
 - (vi) other factors considered relevant by the court.
- (4) Upon making a finding of indigence, the court shall enter the findings on the record and enter an order assigning <u>a</u> defense [counsel] <u>service provider</u> to represent the defendant in the case. The clerk of the court shall send a copy of the affidavit and order to the prosecutor <u>and to the county clerk or municipal recorder</u>.
- (5) If the county or municipality providing the defense [counsel] services provider has any objections to or concerns with the finding of indigency and assignment of <u>a</u> defense

[counsel] services provider or the continuing of indigency status and assignment of a [public
defender] defense services provider, it shall file notice with the court and a hearing shall be
scheduled to review the findings and give the county or municipality the opportunity to present
evidence and arguments as to the reasons the finding of indigency should be reversed.
(6) (a) If the trial court finds within one year after the determination of indigency that
any defendant was erroneously or improperly determined to be indigent, the county or
municipality may proceed against that defendant for the reasonable value of the services
rendered to the defendant, including all costs paid by the county or municipality in providing
the <u>legal</u> defense [counsel].
(b) Subsection (6)(a) does not affect any restitution required of the defendant by the
court pursuant to [Title 77,] Chapter 32a, Defense Costs.
(c) A defendant claiming indigency has a continuing duty to inform the court of any
material changes or change in circumstances that may affect the determination of his eligibility
for indigency.
(d) Any person who intentionally or knowingly makes a material false statement or
omits a material fact in an affidavit for indigency is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.
Section 3. Section 77-32-301 is amended to read:
77-32-301. Minimum standards for defense of an indigent.
(1) Each county, city, and town shall provide for the <u>legal</u> defense of an indigent in
criminal cases in the courts and various administrative bodies of the state in accordance with
[the following minimum] legal defense standards[:] as defined in Section 77-32-201.
[(1) provide counsel for each indigent who faces the substantial probability of the
deprivation of the indigent's liberty;]
[(2) afford timely representation by competent legal counsel;]
[(3) provide the investigatory resources necessary for a complete defense;]
[(4) assure undivided loyalty of defense counsel to the client;]
[(5) proceed with a first appeal of right; and]
[(6) prosecute other remedies before or after a conviction, considered by defense
counsel to be in the interest of justice except for other and subsequent discretionary appeals or
discretionary writ proceedings

(2) (a) A county or municipality that contracts with a defense services provider shall

152 provide that all defense elements be included in a single package of legal defense services made available to indigents, except as provided in Sections 77-32-302 and 77-32-303. 153 154 (b) If necessary to avoid a conflict of interest between: 155 (i) trial counsel and counsel on appeal, a defense services provider may utilize different 156 trial and appellate counsel; and (ii) counsel for co-defendants, a defense services provider may utilize different trial 157 158 counsel for each defendant. 159 (c) If a county or municipality contracts to provide all legal defense elements as a 160 single package, a defendant may not receive funding for defense resources unless represented 161 by publically funded counsel or as provided in Subsection 77-32-303(2). 162 Section 4. Section 77-32-302 is amended to read: 163 77-32-302. Assignment of counsel on request of indigent or order of court. 164 (1) [Legal counsel] The defense services provider shall be assigned to represent each 165 indigent and [the indigent] shall [also be provided access to] provide legal defense [resources] services necessary for an [effective] adequate defense, if the indigent is under arrest for or 166 167 charged with a crime in which there is a substantial probability that the penalty to be imposed 168 is confinement in either jail or prison if: 169 (a) the indigent requests [counsel or] legal defense [resources, or both] services; or 170 (b) the court on its own motion or otherwise orders [counsel,] legal defense [resources, 171 or both services and the defendant does not affirmatively waive or reject on the record the opportunity to be [represented and] provided <u>legal</u> defense [resources] <u>services</u>. 172 173 (2) (a) If a county responsible for providing indigent legal defense, including counsel 174 and defense resources,] has established a county legal defender's office and the court has 175 received notice of the establishment of the office, the court shall assign to the county legal 176 defender's office the responsibility to defend indigent defendants within the county and provide 177 defense resources. 178 (b) If the county or municipality responsible to provide for the legal defense of an 179 indigent[, including defense resources and counsel,] has arranged by contract to provide those 180 services through a [legal aid association,] defense services provider, and the court has received notice or a copy of the contract, the court shall assign the [legal aid association] defense 181 182 services provider named in the contract to [defend the indigent and] provide legal defense

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- [(c) If the county or municipality responsible for providing indigent legal defense, including counsel and defense resources, has contracted to provide those services through individual attorneys, individual defense resources, or associations providing defense resources, and the court has received notice or a copy of the contracts, the court shall assign a contracting attorney as the legal counsel to represent an indigent and a contracted defense resource to provide defense-related services.]
- [(d)] (c) If no county [legal defender's office] or municipal defense services provider contract exists, the court shall select and assign [an attorney or] a legal defense [resource if:] services provider.
 - [(i) the contract for indigent legal services is with multiple attorneys or resources; or]
 - [(ii) the contract is with another attorney in the event of a conflict of interest.]
- [(e)] (d) If the court considers the assignment of a noncontracting [attorney or defense resource to provide legal services] legal defense services provider to an indigent defendant despite the existence of [an indigent legal] a defense services provider contract and the court has a copy or notice of the contract, before the court may make the assignment, it shall:
 - (i) set the matter for a hearing;
- (ii) give proper notice of the hearing to the attorney of the responsible county or municipality and county clerk or municipal recorder; and
- (iii) make findings that there is a compelling reason to appoint a noncontracting attorney or defense resource.
- [(f)] (e) The indigent's preference for other counsel or defense resources may not be considered a compelling reason justifying the appointment of a noncontracting attorney or defense resource.
 - (3) The court may make a determination of indigency at any time.
- Section 5. Section 77-32-303 is amended to read:
 - 77-32-303. Standard for court to appoint noncontracting attorney or defense resource -- Hearing.
 - (1) If a county or municipality has contracted <u>or otherwise provided</u> for <u>a defense</u> <u>provider</u>, [or otherwise made arrangements for, the legal defense of indigents, including a competent attorney and defense resources,] the court may not appoint a noncontracting attorney

214	or <u>defense</u> resource either under this part, Section 78B-1-151, or Rule 15, Utah Rules of
215	Criminal Procedure, unless the court:
216	[(1)] (a) conducts a hearing with proper notice to the [responsible entity] county clerk
217	or municipal recorder to consider the authorization or designation of a noncontract attorney or
218	<u>defense</u> resource; and
219	[(2)] (b) makes a finding that there is a compelling reason to authorize or designate a
220	noncontracting attorney or <u>defense</u> resources for the indigent defendant.
221	(2) If a court conducts a hearing under Subsection (1)(a) to consider the provision of
222	defense resources for a defendant who has retained private legal counsel, the court shall
223	consider the following:
224	(a) the reasons offered by defendant for not using the defense services provider;
225	(b) the financial circumstances which permit the defendant to retain private counsel,
226	but not pay for defense resources;
227	(c) the financial arrangement between the defendant and the defendant's private
228	counsel, reviewed by the court in camera without counsel present, including a full accounting
229	of defense retainer and counsel's anticipated costs of defense resources;
230	(d) whether requiring the defendant to agree to the substitution of a contracted defense
231	services provider would prejudice an adequate defense, with or without a reasonable
232	continuance; and
233	(e) whether the request is made in good faith.
234	(3) In considering a defendant's motion under Subsection (2), the court may not order
235	the county or municipality to provide defense resources independently of the defendant's use of
236	the defense services provider, absent clear and convincing evidence that the defendant's rights
237	to due process and an adequate defense will be denied if the request is not granted.
238	Section 6. Section 77-32-304 is amended to read:
239	77-32-304. Duties of assigned counsel Compensation.
240	(1) When representing an indigent, the assigned counsel shall:
241	(a) counsel and defend the indigent at every stage of the proceeding following
242	assignment; and
243	(b) file any first appeal of right or other remedy before or after conviction that the
244	assigned counsel considers to be in the interest of justice, except for other and subsequent

245	discretionary appeals or discretionary writ proceedings.
246	(2) An assigned counsel may not have the duty or power under this section to represent
247	an indigent in any discretionary appeal or action for a discretionary writ, other than in a
248	meaningful first appeal of right to assure the indigent an adequate opportunity to present the
249	indigent's claims fairly in the context of the appellate process of this state.
250	(3) An assigned counsel for an indigent shall be entitled to compensation upon:
251	(a) approval of the district court where the original trial was held;
252	(b) a showing that:
253	(i) the indigent has been denied a constitutional right; or
254	(ii) there was newly discovered evidence that would show the indigent's innocence; and
255	(c) <u>a clear showing</u> that the legal services rendered by counsel were:
256	(i) other than that required under this chapter or under a separate fee arrangement; and
257	(ii) necessary for the adequate defense of the indigent and not for the purpose of
258	delaying the judgment of the original trier of fact.
259	Section 7. Section 77-32-304.5 is amended to read:
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260	77-32-304.5. Reasonable compensation for defense counsel for indigents.
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261 262	(1) This section does not apply to any [attorney: (a)] <u>defense services provider</u> otherwise under contract with the county or municipality for defense of an indigent person[;].
261262263	(1) This section does not apply to any [attorney: (a)] <u>defense services provider</u> otherwise under contract with the county or municipality for defense of an indigent person[;]. [(b) in the legal defender organization, legal aid agency, law firm, or public defender
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261 262 263 264 265	(1) This section does not apply to any [attorney: (a)] <u>defense services provider</u> otherwise under contract with the county or municipality for defense of an indigent person[;]. [(b) in the legal defender organization, legal aid agency, law firm, or public defender association with which that attorney is professionally associated; or] [(c) who is an employee of a county legal defender's office.]
261 262 263 264 265 266	(1) This section does not apply to any [attorney: (a)] defense services provider otherwise under contract with the county or municipality for defense of an indigent person[;]. [(b) in the legal defender organization, legal aid agency, law firm, or public defender association with which that attorney is professionally associated; or] [(c) who is an employee of a county legal defender's office.] (2) (a) The county or municipality shall pay reasonable compensation to any attorney
261 262 263 264 265 266 267	(1) This section does not apply to any [attorney: (a)] defense services provider otherwise under contract with the county or municipality for defense of an indigent person[;]. [(b) in the legal defender organization, legal aid agency, law firm, or public defender association with which that attorney is professionally associated; or] [(c) who is an employee of a county legal defender's office.] (2) (a) The county or municipality shall pay reasonable compensation to any attorney assigned by the court under Subsection 77-32-306 at the conclusion of the representation or any
261 262 263 264 265 266 267 268	(1) This section does not apply to any [attorney: (a)] defense services provider otherwise under contract with the county or municipality for defense of an indigent person[;]. [(b) in the legal defender organization, legal aid agency, law firm, or public defender association with which that attorney is professionally associated; or] [(c) who is an employee of a county legal defender's office.] (2) (a) The county or municipality shall pay reasonable compensation to any attorney assigned by the court under Subsection 77-32-306 at the conclusion of the representation or any segment of the representation, as provided in Subsections (2)(b), (c), (d), and (e):
261 262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269	(1) This section does not apply to any [attorney: (a)] defense services provider otherwise under contract with the county or municipality for defense of an indigent person[;]. [(b) in the legal defender organization, legal aid agency, law firm, or public defender association with which that attorney is professionally associated; or] [(c) who is an employee of a county legal defender's office.] (2) (a) The county or municipality shall pay reasonable compensation to any attorney assigned by the court under Subsection 77-32-306 at the conclusion of the representation or any segment of the representation, as provided in Subsections (2)(b), (c), (d), and (e): (i) before the district or justice courts, including interlocutory appeals; and
261 262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270	(1) This section does not apply to any [attorney: (a)] defense services provider otherwise under contract with the county or municipality for defense of an indigent person[;]. [(b) in the legal defender organization, legal aid agency, law firm, or public defender association with which that attorney is professionally associated; or] [(c) who is an employee of a county legal defender's office.] (2) (a) The county or municipality shall pay reasonable compensation to any attorney assigned by the court under Subsection 77-32-306 at the conclusion of the representation or any segment of the representation, as provided in Subsections (2)(b), (c), (d), and (e): (i) before the district or justice courts, including interlocutory appeals; and (ii) before the appellate court on a first appeal of right.
261 262 263 264 265 266 267 268 269 270 271	(1) This section does not apply to any [attorney: (a)] defense services provider otherwise under contract with the county or municipality for defense of an indigent person[;]. [(b) in the legal defender organization, legal aid agency, law firm, or public defender association with which that attorney is professionally associated; or] [(c) who is an employee of a county legal defender's office.] (2) (a) The county or municipality shall pay reasonable compensation to any attorney assigned by the court under Subsection 77-32-306 at the conclusion of the representation or any segment of the representation, as provided in Subsections (2)(b), (c), (d), and (e): (i) before the district or justice courts, including interlocutory appeals; and (ii) before the appellate court on a first appeal of right. (b) The legislative body of each county and municipality shall establish and annually

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attorney;

276 (iii) the adjusted net hourly rate incurred by the county or municipality for a prosecutor 277 or public defender of equivalent experience and competency; and 278 (iv) the prevailing rates within the judicial district for comparable services. 279 (c) If the legislative body of a county or municipality does not establish the rate 280 guidelines, the rate of compensation shall be determined by the trial judge or a judge other than 281 the trial judge if requested by: 282 (i) the assigned attorney; or 283 (ii) the county or municipality. 284 (d) If the assigned attorney disagrees with the amount of compensation paid or 285 contemplated for payment by the county or municipality, the assigned attorney shall 286 nonetheless continue to represent the indigent defendant and may file a claim against: 287 (i) the county pursuant to Section 17-50-401, in which event the period for a denial by 288 the county shall be 20 days; or 289 (ii) the municipality pursuant to Title 10, Chapter 6, Uniform Fiscal Procedures Act for 290 Utah Cities. 291 (e) In determining the reasonable compensation to be paid to defense counsel under 292 Subsections (2)(c) and (d), the court shall consider the factors contained in Subsections 293 (2)(b)(i) through (iv). 294 (f) The total compensation in a noncapital case may not, without prior court approval 295 following a hearing, exceed: 296 (i) \$3,500 for each assigned attorney in a case in which one or more felonies is 297 charged; 298 (ii) \$1,000 for each assigned attorney in a case in which only misdemeanors or lesser 299 offenses are charged; or 300 (iii) \$2,500 for each assigned attorney in the representation of an indigent in an 301 appellate court on a first appeal of right. 302 Section 8. Section **77-32-305.5** is amended to read: 303

77-32-305.5. Reimbursement of extraordinary expense.

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(1) For the purposes of this section, an "extraordinary expense" means the collective expense which exceeds \$500 for defense resources or any particular service or item such as experts, investigators, surveys, or demonstrative evidence.

(2) The county or municipality shall reimburse expenses, exclusive of overhead and
extraordinary expense not approved by the court in accordance with this chapter, reasonably
incurred by assigned attorneys for indigent defendants through a contracted defense services
provider, ordered by the court based on a hearing held in accordance with Subsections
77-32-303(2) and (3), or for an appointed counsel under Section 77-32-304.5.
(3) The assigned attorney shall file a motion with the court for approval of the
proposed expenditure for any extraordinary expense before the expense is incurred. The
motion shall be heard and ruled upon by a judge other than the trial judge if so requested by
either party or upon the motion of the trial judge.
Section 9. Section 77-32-306 is amended to read:
77-32-306. County or municipal legislative body to provide legal defense.
(1) The county or municipal legislative body shall either:
(a) contract [to provide the legal defense, including counsel, defense resources, or both
as prescribed by this chapter, and as available, through:] with a defense services provider; or
[(i) a legal aid association; or]
[(ii) one or more defense associations or attorneys and qualified defense resources; or]
(b) authorize the court to provide the services prescribed by this chapter by assigning a
qualified attorney in each case.
(2) A county may create a county legal defender's office to provide for the legal
defense[, including counsel and defense resources or both,] as prescribed by this chapter.
(3) A county legal defender's office may, through the county legislative body contract
with other counties and municipalities within a judicial district to provide the legal services as
prescribed.
(4) Counties and municipalities are encouraged to enter into interlocal cooperation
agreements pursuant to Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation Act, for the provision of
legal defense, including multiple counties and municipalities contracting with either a private
defense services provider or with a legal defender's office. An interlocal agreement may
provide for:
(a) the creation of or contract with a private defense services provider, as defined in
Subsection 77-32-201(4):
(b) multiple counties or municipalities to contract with a county legal defender's office

338	as defined in Subsection 77-32-201(7); or
339	(c) the creation of an interlocal entity as provided in Section 11-13-203.
340	[(4)] (5) When a county or municipality has contracted under Subsection (1)(a) or a
341	county has created a legal defender's office as provided under Subsection (2) to provide the
342	legal [counsel and] defense resources required by this chapter, the [contracted legal aid
343	association or attorneys, contracted defense resources, and the county legal defender's office
344	are] legal services provider is the exclusive source from which the legal defense may be
345	provided, unless the court finds a compelling reason for the appointment of noncontracting
346	attorneys and defense resources[5] under Section 77-32-302 or 77-32-303, in which case the
347	judge shall state the compelling reason and the findings of the hearing held under Subsections
348	77-32-303(2) and (3) on the record.
349	(6) A county or municipality may by ordinance provide for some other means which
350	are constitutionally adequate for legal defense for indigents.
351	Section 10. Section 77-32-307 is amended to read:
352	77-32-307. Expenditures of county or municipal funds declared proper Tax
353	levy authorized.
354	(1) An expenditure by any county or [incorporated] municipality is considered a proper
355	use of public funds if the expenditure is necessary to carry out the purposes defined in this
356	chapter.
357	(2) A donation to a nonprofit legal aid or other association charged with the duty to
358	provide the services is a proper use of public funds.
359	(3) Any county or [incorporated area] municipality of the state is authorized to levy and
360	collect taxes to meet the requirements of this chapter.
361	Section 11. Section 77-32-401 is amended to read:
362	77-32-401. Indigent Defense Funds Board Members Administrative support.
363	(1) There is created within the Division of Finance the Indigent Defense Funds Board
364	composed of the following nine members:
365	(a) two members who are current commissioners or county executives of participating
366	counties appointed by the board of directors of the Utah Association of Counties;
367	(b) one member at large appointed by the board of directors of the Utah Association of
368	Counties;

369	(c) two members who are current county attorneys of participating counties appointed
370	by the Utah Prosecution Council;
371	(d) the director of the Division of Finance or his designee;
372	(e) one member appointed by the Administrative Office of the Courts; and
373	(f) two members who are private attorneys engaged in or familiar with the criminal
374	defense practice appointed by the members of the board listed in Subsections (1)(a) through
375	(e).
376	(2) Members shall serve four-year terms; however, one of the county commissioners,
377	and one of the county attorneys appointed to the initial board shall serve two-year terms and the
378	remaining other members of the initial board shall be appointed for four-year terms. After the
379	initial two-year term of the county commissioner and county attorney, those board positions
380	shall also have four-year terms.
381	(3) A vacancy is created if a member appointed under:
382	(a) Subsection (1)(a) no longer serves as a county commissioner or county executive;
383	or
384	(b) Subsection (1)(c) no longer serves as a county attorney.
385	(4) When a vacancy occurs in the membership for any reason, a replacement shall be
386	appointed for the remaining unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment.
387	(5) The board may contract for administrative support for up to \$15,000 annually to be
388	paid proportionally from each fund.
389	(6) A member may not receive compensation or benefits for the member's service, but
390	may receive per diem and travel expenses in accordance with:
391	(a) Section 63A-3-106;
392	(b) Section 63A-3-107; and
393	(c) rules made by the Division of Finance pursuant to Sections 63A-3-106 and
394	63A-3-107.
395	(7) Per diem and expenses for board members shall be paid proportionally from each
396	fund.

(8) Five members shall constitute a quorum and, if a quorum is present, the action of a

majority of the members present shall constitute the action of the board.

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