

**UTAH FUTURES PROGRAM**

2012 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill provides funding for a career planning program.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ requires the Utah Futures Steering Committee to include certain features into the Utah Futures website;

- ▶ requires the Utah Futures Steering Committee to select at least one technology provider through a request for proposals process to provide technology and support for Utah Futures; and

- ▶ defines terms.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

This bill appropriates:

- ▶ to the Department of Workforce Services -- Operations and Policy, as a one-time appropriation for fiscal year 2012-13:

- from the General Fund, \$3,000,000.

**Other Special Clauses:**

This bill provides an effective date.

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**



27 ENACTS:

28 **35A-5-301**, Utah Code Annotated 1953



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

31 Section 1. Section **35A-5-301** is enacted to read:

32 **35A-5-301. Utah Futures funding.**

33 (1) As used in this section:

34 (a) "Education provider" means:

35 (i) a Utah institution of higher education as defined in Section 53B-2-101; or

36 (ii) a Utah provider of postsecondary education.

37 (b) "Student user" means:

38 (i) a Utah student in kindergarten through grade 12;

39 (ii) a Utah post secondary education student;

40 (iii) a parent or guardian of a Utah public education student; or

41 (iv) a Utah potential post secondary education student.

42 (c) "Other user" means:

43 (i) a jobseeker;

44 (ii) an adult user;

45 (iii) a Utah business user; or

46 (iv) any Utah citizen.

47 (d) "Utah Futures" means a career planning program developed and administered by  
48 the Department of Workforce Services, the State Board of Regents, and the State Board of  
49 Education.

50 (e) "Utah Futures Steering Committee" means a committee of members designated by  
51 the governor to administer and manage Utah Futures in collaboration with the Department of  
52 Workforce Services, the State Board of Regents, and the State Board of Education.

53 (2) The Utah Futures Steering Committee shall ensure that Utah Futures will:

54 (a) allow a student user to:

55 (i) access the student user's full academic record;

56 (ii) electronically allow the student user to give access to the student user's academic  
57 record and related information to an education provider as allowed by law;

58 (iii) access information about different career opportunities and understand the related  
59 educational requirements to enter that career;

60 (iv) access information about education providers;

61 (v) access up to date information about entrance requirements to education providers;

62 (vi) apply for entrance to multiple schools without having to fully replicate the  
63 application process;

64 (vii) apply for loans, scholarships, or grants from multiple education providers in one  
65 location without having to fully replicate the application process for multiple education  
66 providers; and

67 (viii) research open jobs from different companies within the user's career interest and  
68 apply for those jobs without having to leave the website to do so;

69 (b) allow an education provider to:

70 (i) research and find student users who are interested in various educational outcomes;

71 (ii) promote the education provider's programs and schools to student users; and

72 (iii) connect with student users within the Utah Futures website;

73 (c) allow a Utah business to:

74 (i) research and find student users who are pursuing educational outcomes that are  
75 consistent with jobs the Utah business is trying to fill now or in the future; and

76 (ii) market jobs and communicate with student users through the Utah Futures website  
77 as allowed by law;

78 (d) allow the Department of Workforce Services to analyze and report on student user  
79 interests, education paths, and behaviors within the education system so as to predictively  
80 determine appropriate career and educational outcomes and results; and

81 (e) allow all users of the Utah Futures' system to communicate and interact through  
82 social networking tools within the Utah Futures website as allowed by law.

83 (3) The Utah Futures Steering Committee shall select at least one technology provider  
84 through a request for proposals process to provide technology and support for Utah Futures.

85 (4) In evaluating proposals under Subsection (3), the Utah Futures Steering Committee  
86 shall ensure that the technology provided by a proposer:

87 (a) allows Utah Futures to license and host the selected technologies on Utah Futures'  
88 servers;

- 89 (b) allows Utah Futures to protect and control all user data within the system;
- 90 (c) allows Utah Futures to directly control and update the user interface, APIs, and web
- 91 services software layers as needed; and
- 92 (d) provides the ability for a student user to have a secure profile and login to access
- 93 and to store personal information related to the services listed in Subsection (2) via the Internet.

Section 2. **Appropriation.**

95 Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures Act, the  
 96 following sums of money are appropriated from resources not otherwise appropriated, or  
 97 reduced from amounts previously appropriated, out of the funds or accounts indicated for the  
 98 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2013. These are additions to any  
 99 amounts previously appropriated for fiscal year 2013.

100 To Department of Workforce Services -- Operations and Policy

101 From General Fund, one-time

\$3,000,000

102 Schedule of Programs:

103 Information Technology

\$3,000,000

104 The Legislature intends that:

- 105 (1) the appropriation for Information Technology be used for the purposes described in
- 106 Section 35A-5-301; and
- 107 (2) the appropriation under this section:
  - 108 (a) be one-time; and
  - 109 (b) not lapse at the close of fiscal year 2013.
- 110 **Section 3. Effective date.**
- 111 (1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), this bill takes effect on May 8, 2012.
- 112 (2) Uncodified Section 2, Appropriation, takes effect on July 1, 2012.

**Legislative Review Note**  
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